

6 Cops Battle Against One Girl



New York's police yesterday brought back the night-stick days of ex-Police Commissioner Whelan when they slashed at a picket line at the French Consulate and jailed 14 persons. Top photo shows six police shoving one girl into patrol. Center shows the same girl being assaulted. Below, one of the pickets waves aloft his banner for the heroic Spanish people from inside patrol. —Daily Worker Photos

Police Attack Pickets At French Consulate

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Hundreds of persons picketing the French Consulate yesterday at 610 Fifth Ave., in protest against Daladier's decree ordering 90,000 Spanish refugees back to Franco's Spain where they will face certain death, were treated in typical Gestapo fashion by New York police officers.

As pickets attempted to gain entrance into the building of the French Consulate, they were rounded up and driven off like cattle. Others who continued to arrive for picket duty in taxi cabs and buses between 11:30 and 12 o'clock, were immediately seized and hustled off by the police.

Signs and placards carried by the demonstrators were smashed and torn up. Determined to present their protests, the pickets started to reassemble again in small groups whereupon Police Inspector Schilling gave the order for them to be rounded up and hauled off to jail. Two trucks with signs and placards and more than 15 persons in each were taken by the police and driven to 49th St. and Sixth Ave., where all were ordered not to return.

A delegation headed by Jerry Cook, secretary of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, attempted to enter the building to

present a written statement of protest to the French Consul but they were stopped and dragged off to jail.

ARREST 13

The police rounded up another group on 49th St. and Fifth Ave. and began piling them into a patrol wagon one on top of the other.

Thirteen persons were arrested and arraigned at 2 o'clock yesterday in Magistrate's Court, 133 E. 57th St., on charges of disorderly conduct. Elizabeth Redmond, 25 Clairmont Ave., described in court how she was viciously manhandled by 10 police who dragged her off the sidewalk into a waiting patrol wagon when she refused to be frightened by their bullying threats. She said she was standing alone

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DON'T MISS Important School Announcement in Daily Worker Monday (adv.)

French Terror On Refugees Hit in Mexico

Mass Protest Organized Against Deportations to Franco Spain

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, March 15.—News that Daladier intends to send to Franco Spain close to 100,000 Spanish Republicans at present held in French prisons and concentration camps, is causing a tremendous protests here.

The FOARE (Federation of Organizations to Aid the Spanish Republic) is organizing a huge campaign of protest after calling the French Premier as follows:

"All America of Spanish blood feels itself scandalized by your conduct. In the name of the most elementary principles of dignity and civilization we demand that the means for expulsion of the Spanish republicans be annulled."

In a special message to President Cardenas the FOARE asked his "urgent intervention to save the life of those Spaniards."

Similar cables urging diplomatic intervention with the Daladier government were sent to President Roosevelt and to the heads of State of Cuba, Columbia, Chile, the Dominican Republic, Argentine and Uruguay.

The FOARE, representing such organizations as the Party of the Mexican Revolution (PRM), the Confederation of Mexican Workers (CTM), the Mexican Communist Party, the National Confederation of Peasants (CNC), the powerful

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Begin Dalton Trumbo's 'Johnny Got His Gun' in Sunday Worker

Out of the last World War comes an indictment of the warmakers in this stirring best-selling book by one of America's foremost writers—Dalton Trumbo. Order your copy of the Sunday Daily Worker and Sunday Worker. [Turn to page 3 for review by Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, member of this important book to be run serially in the of National Committee of Communist Party].

Ireland's Struggle for Freedom--Read Tomorrow's Sunday Worker

Tomorrow's Sunday Worker will mark St. Patrick's Day with articles and historic photographs on Ireland's age-old struggle for freedom. Sunday Worker. Order your copy now and tell your friends about it. Don't miss tomorrow's enlarged edition of the

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Fur Trial Is At Bosses' Bid, Defense Charges

Boudin Asks Jackson to Take Over Probe of Perjury

By George Morris

Louis B. Boudin, chief counsel for the fur union leaders on trial on a Sherman Act indictment, yesterday wired Attorney General Robert H. Jackson a request that he "take personal charge of the investigation into perjury committed involving charges against a U. S. attorney of framing testimony for a witness," and that he order files and statements of witnesses to be "kept intact."

Boudin wired to Jackson that he had "reason to believe that those files contain evidence of coaching and perjury," and "also that the six-and-one-half-year old indictment has been revived at the behest of employers as a menace of pressure in connection with a labor contract."

Dirt in the government's investigation and trial preparation machinery was thrown up by several explosions at the fur trial.

Boudin's wire was just one of the big developments in the trial yesterday at the conclusion of its fourth week with the government at last resting its case.

MAIN DEVELOPMENTS

The other major events were: The government's last and key witness, Louis Mandelbaum, the man who was supposed to furnish the "connection" of the defendants to purported acts of violence, surprised the prosecution by refusing to testify.

Four of the defendants, Louis Jaffe, Charles Napoli, Donato

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Shining eyes show the joy felt by Mrs. Mary Romain, whose son, Robert, 20 months old, was turned over to police when she was too poor to pay his board bill. Charge of deserting her child was dismissed.

Council Shelves Bill to Retain Elevated Lines

Kinsley Measure Put Over Despite Public Union Objections

The City Council last night, over the vigorous objections of the Transport Workers Union and large citizens' organizations, acted to halt legislation to retain the Second and Ninth Ave. elevated lines.

By a vote of eleven to ten, the Council shelved till its next meeting a resolution introduced by Bronx Councilman Joseph E. Kinsley requesting the State Assembly to adopt the Deane bill providing for the retention of the Second and Ninth Ave. "Elis" until other transit facilities are provided.

The vote from the floor on the resolution was ten to ten. Council President Newbold Morris, breaking a tie for the first time in the history of the Council cast his vote

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Lewis to Meet With Mayor, TWU On Transit

Will Participate in Parley with Mayor, Leaders of T.W.U. Monday

John L. Lewis, president of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, who was instrumental in establishing the first collective bargaining agreement for transit workers in New York in 1937, will participate in the conference between Mayor LaGuardia and Transport Workers Union officials at City Hall, Monday, 9 P.M., on the rights of the 27,000 I.R.T. and B.M.T. employees to retain collective bargaining and contract rights after unification.

Announcement of Lewis' participation in the conference to settle differences between the Mayor and the Transport Workers Union was made at the conclusion of a special joint session of the International Executive Board of the Transport Workers Union of America and the Executive Board of the Transport Workers Union of Greater New York at Transporthell, 153 W. 64th St., yesterday.

Michael J. Quill, International T.W.U. president, who presided at the special joint session, announced that after adoption of a resolution inviting Lewis and Sidney Hillman, vice-president, to join the T.W.U. committee which is to call on the Mayor, he had communicated with Washington and had been authorized to announce that Lewis had accepted. Hillman was in the Mayor's office at the time the Monday conference was arranged.

The joint executive boards session spent most of the afternoon going over the proposals the union will present to the Mayor on Monday. The International Board of 14 members represents 90,000 public transportation employees in the United States and Canada, while the local executive board speaks for New York City's 50,000 subway, elevated, trolley, bus and taxicab employees.

The resolution of invitation to Lewis and Hillman reads: Resolution adopted at joint meeting of the International Ex-

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FINN PARLIAMENT RATIFIES PEACE, RYTI BACKS TERMS

Finnish Army Gradually Falls Back to Positions South of Lieksa as Provided in Agreement, Cabinet Members Endorse Peace Terms

HELSINKI, March 15 (UP).—The Finnish Parliament today ratified the peace treaty between Finland and the Soviet Union by a vote of 145 to 3, it was announced officially tonight.

HELSINKI, March 15 (UP).—The Finnish Parliament tonight ratified the peace treaty which ended the war with the Soviet Union.

The parliament, which met in secret session this afternoon and tonight, heard its terms defended by Premier Risto Ryti and other Cabinet members after President Kyosti Kallio had presented the treaty to the Diet for ratification.

Neither the vote nor the exact time of ratification were announced immediately. The scene of the Parliament meeting was described merely as "somewhere in Helsinki."

ARMY FALLS BACK The Finnish army fell back slowly today from positions south of Lieksa, which must be surrendered to the Soviet Union.

Since hostilities ceased, at least one kilometer (about six-tenths of a mile) has separated the two armies at all points.

Under terms of the treaty the Finns were to destroy nothing as they retired.

An official Finnish radio proclamation on the evacuation announced that the ceded area west of the Vuoksi River was a closed

area and the Finns were no longer allowed to cross the new border. Other ceded areas could be entered only with a special permit from Finnish authorities who would grant it only for entry and removal of possessions, not for permanent stay.

It was stated that evacuees scattered throughout Scandinavia would remain where they are billeted for the present because all transport is occupied with the new evacuation from ceded areas. Evacuation from Finland to Scandinavia has been halted.

HELSINKI, Finland, March 15 (UP).—Street lights were on last night for the first time in four months.

"We believe it will be some time before we can need a defense alliance. With every sympathy for Finland, we believe that the moment calls for a clear view to the future attitude of the North against dangers we may meet in that war which has not yet been brought to a conclusion. In that war Russia does not play a part." A strong wave of northern isolationism.

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Sen. Tobey Gets FDR Blast on Census

WASHINGTON, March 15 (UP).—President Roosevelt through his secretary today attacked Senator Charles W. Tobey, R. N. H., as the first U. S. Senator ever openly to advise the American people to violate the law.

Secretary Stephen T. Early, in conveying Mr. Roosevelt's views did not mention Tobey by name. But the criticism of an "anonymous" Senator who advised citizens not to answer census questions was plainly directed at Tobey, who has led the Senate fight to eliminate from the census questions on personal income.

Mr. Roosevelt previously had denounced the census controversy as an "obviously political move."

French Deputies Approve War Costs

PARIS, March 15 (UP).—The Chamber of Deputies unanimously approved war estimates today totaling 55,000,000,000 francs (\$1,157,750,000) for the second three months of 1940. The estimates included 25,606,000,000 francs (\$500,556,200) for armaments.

Weather

Local—Partly cloudy today and probably Sunday; warmer Sunday and Monday.

Eastern New York—Generally fair with slowing rising temperature; warmer Sunday.

New Jersey—Fair with slowly rising temperature; warmer Sunday.

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Roosevelt and the Press Owe the People an Apology

President Roosevelt and the capitalist press owe the American people an abject apology.

They owe the people this apology for trying to throw sand in their eyes and fill them with cock and bull stories about Soviet "inhumanity" in Finland.

For the truth is coming out at last—even in the columns of the capitalist press—that the charges of bombings of "civilians" which the White House and the press hurled at the Soviet Union were no less than cold-blooded lies calculated to spread the war and destroy the peace of the United States.

A dispatch from Helsinki in yesterday's Herald Tribune contained this revealing admission:

"Elis Wennstrom, director of the town

(Hanko) said that 2,000 of Hanko's 6,000 persons remained throughout the bombings. There were FORTY-SIX RAIDS IN THE 106 DAYS OF WAR, BUT ONLY FOUR CIVILIANS WERE KILLED." (Our emphasis—Editor).

Four civilians killed in 46 raids—here is the best answer to the war-inciting fabrications which were dispatched from the White House and headlined in the Wall Street press (including, of course, the Herald Tribune itself).

But the story does not end here. If these air-raids did not kill civilians, what was their real purpose? And what did they accomplish?

The truth on this point is also being admitted at last in the capitalist press. Listen

to these excerpts from a dispatch about the air-raids from Mr. Wade Werner, Associated Press correspondent in Helsinki (it appeared in the Post on Thursday):

"Damage to the FACTORIES and RAILWAYS as well as HARBOR FACILITIES was a more vital factor in crippling Finnish defense. . . . The TROOPS with whom I was travelling had been bombed four or five times during the night and bombers raided us four times during the day. MY CENSORED DISPATCH DID NOT MENTION SOLDIERS, but it was the MOVEMENT OF REINFORCEMENTS TO THE FRONT that the Russians were crippling. . . . While the

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War Contracts Graft Scandal In London

Laborite in Parliament Charges 'Cuts' Given for Awards

LONDON, March 15 (UP).—Herbert Morrison, Laborite member of Parliament, hauled into the open today the nation's first war contract scandal.

He named names and discussed details in support of his charges that commission agents were claiming 2½ to 10 per cent "cuts" for influencing the Ministry of Supply in awarding contracts.

Morrison's charges brought from Supply Minister Edward Leslie Burtin an admission that "very undesirable activities" were going on.

Morrison charged that Captain C. R. Ullman had a Ministry of Supply card which said he was to have access to Burtin at any time. He named other persons who said they were endeavoring to obtain commissions.

He added that firms were amazed on being asked "for goods they never made and being told to take the order and we will have it done through a sub-contractor. It will go through you and you can take your profit."

LONDON, March 15 (UP).—Ellis Smith, Laborite, asked Parliament today about the accuracy of Washington dispatches which he quoted as saying that the Allies were paying dearly for war supplies, including planes.

"Is it true," he asked, "that U. S. machine tools are costing twice as much as those produced in Britain? Why not erect our own national factories?"

Britain Orders 2 New Classes Into Army

Germany Also Calls Another Class to Armed Forces

LONDON, March 15 (UP).—Britain tonight ordered men 25 and 26 years old to register for military service in April and it was estimated that eventually they would swell Britain's rapidly expanding army by at least 500,000 men.

This was the first time two age groups have been called upon to register within one month and was regarded as further evidence of London's intention speedily to form a huge army.

In addition, men who reach age 20 between March 10 and April 27 must register. Their number was not regarded as especially significant, however, inasmuch as other 20-year-olds already have been called up.

It was estimated that since the National Service Act (conscription) was inaugurated last June approximately 1,250,000 men had registered up to March 9, of which about 1,000,000 were accepted for military service.

BERLIN, March 15 (UP).—The Official Gazette announced today that men of the military class of 1921 who are liable to military service, must report to local police headquarters between April 1 and May 15.

The announcement said they would be mustered between May 27 and June 22 for army or labor corps service.

German Vessel Sunk by Crew

LONDON, March 15 (UP).—The German freighter La Corona, 7,414 tons, was scuttled and set afire by her crew when intercepted by a British warship in northern waters, the Admiralty announced today. The warship picked up the German crew of 10 officers and 50 men.

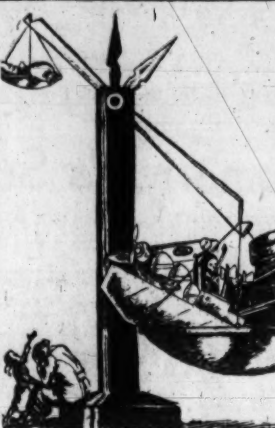
WAR BRINGS CHAOS, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL DISRUPTION TO PEOPLE OF NEUTRAL HOLLAND, BELGIUM, SWITZERLAND

"THEY DON'T LIKE THE WAR, DON'T WANT TO ENTER IT, PRAY IT WILL SOON END" SAYS WRITER

(By United Press Staff Correspondent) AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands, March 15 (UP).—The European war, in which they have no part, is costing the people of the Netherlands, Belgium and Switzerland millions of dollars a day.

They don't like the war, don't want to enter it and pray that it will be soon ended. Their social and economic life has been disrupted. They are tired of the sharp rise in the cost of living, increased taxes, business losses, dislocation of foreign trade, the strain on budgets necessary to keep their armies ready, and the uncertain future caused by recurrent scares that they may be invaded.

SMALL BUSINESSES HIT
Holland is a typical example. It is maintaining an army of nearly 600,000 compared to 3,000 before the war. The bulk of the new army is made up of former civilians, thus disrupting family life and throwing



SOVIET JIBE AT BRITISH TORRES.—The measures taken by the Government to raise the standard of living of its people. (Cartoon in the Soviet press.)

Norway Shows Opposition to 'Alliance' Talk

Newspapers Warn That Danger Comes from Allies, Not USSR

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tionism which swept Sweden during the past week. Until recently public opinion in the Scandinavian countries has been predominantly pro-Ally but, though sympathy has not shifted to Germany or Nazism, the sentiment of the people has become one of indifference to who wins the war.

This feeling has been aroused by charges that the Allies deliberately started a great publicity show to shift blame onto Sweden's shoulders in order that public opinion would not turn against the French and British. This created a rather serious situation here and it is possible to say that Allied sympathy has received a serious blow.

OSLO, Norway, March 15 (UP).—Norwegian reluctance to enter a military alliance may prevent formation of the "triple defensive alliance" contemplated by Sweden and Finland.

Discussion of the proposal in well-informed and official circles disclosed a wide divergence of opinion as to the wisdom of Norway's entrance into a military alliance.

The difference was especially noticeable among Conservatives, the party of Speaker C. J. Hambro of the Norwegian Parliament who went to Stockholm last night.

It was impossible to learn definitely which view was predominant but there were strong indications that a majority of Parliament would oppose an alliance.

In official quarters it was emphasized that Hambro received no instructions from the government and that his visit to Stockholm merely was to gain all information on the proposal.

Daladier Gets Chamber Vote On War Policy

PARIS, March 15 (UP).—Premier Edouard Daladier, encountering mounting criticism of France's war policies, received an unanimous vote of confidence tonight on France's part in the Finnish war and on the general conduct of the war against Germany.

It was predicted, however, that he would have a rougher time in the Chamber of Deputies when it debates those topics next Tuesday. Important sections of the French press demanded a more vigorous prosecution of the war.

It was persistently reported in Parliamentary circles that the Premier may answer his critics by resigning and strengthening his Cabinet, probably with the addition of several new Cabinet members.

The Senate vote of confidence came after a lengthy secret session.

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Confederation of Mexican Youth (CJM) and many others, announces that "the Mexican people is mobilizing immediately to oppose these bestial propositions" of M. Daladier.

It urges all trade unions and other progressive organizations and individuals to send telegrams, letters and resolutions of protest to the French Legation here. The Federation promises that popular protest keep the telephones at the French Legation offices busy "every hour of the day, for days on end."

TELEPHONE CAMPAIGN
Such procedure is much simpler here than in New York for there is no charge on individual telephone calls in Mexico.

Already various persons, representatives of the Mexican people, have urged the French Minister here that his government respects the right of asylum and cancels all means to deport the refugees to the hell of Franco Spain.

Meetings in front of the factories and large government offices will take place tonight and tomorrow to condemn the attitude of the Daladier government and to demand that the deportation of the Spanish Republicans be stopped, the FOARE announces.

It is calculated here that more than 35,000 refugees, including many old people, men, and women, at present imprisoned in jails and concentration camps, will be affected by the Daladier ultimatum which expires March 20. Because of the shortness of time the FOARE urges the greatest of speed in all the protests.

Indignation over the Daladier decree here has already reached such a stage that even the most reactionary papers are giving front page publicity to the protests of the Mexican people. This morning, "Excelsior," the most important of the reactionary newspapers, featured the campaign favorably on its front page under a two-column headline which said: "The Aid of America for the Spaniards in France Is Demanded."

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leased on their own custody. After the arrests attempts were made by the pickets to reform their lines in front of the bureau, but police again broke up the line.

The pickets gathered across the street from the bureau and attempted to hold a street meeting which was also broken up by the police.

Meanwhile 19 Workers' Alliance members who were arrested in the relief bureau at 102 West 101st St. a week ago had charges of disorderly conduct which had been brought against them dismissed.

Call Rally for Spain Refugees At City College

A meeting to protest the inhuman action of the French Government in deporting Spanish refugees to Franco Spain will be held at the 23rd St. Branch of City College in Room 1320 at 4 P. M. next Tuesday, March 19.

Get the "Broader Library" for your own collection. See that it reaches the homes of your friends!

CORRESPONDENT DESCRIBES HOW THE RED ARMY ENTERED VIBORG

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

VIBORG, USSR, [Via Leningrad], March 15.—A silence so unusual, after days of battle, has fallen on Viborg.

Troops, artillery, transport trains continue to move along all roads. Signal men have strung hasty telephone lines to repair the city's damaged communication system.

Tall buildings undamaged by flame present an unforgettable picture, looming over the burning town. The tall water tower stands out on the skyline.

Red Army units approach, preceded by pioneer troops who carefully examine the road. They are followed by road units who clear away the snow. Infantry columns follow and pass

the ruins of burned buildings in the suburbs. The Red Flag flies above the heads of the marching troops. It is hoisted above factory buildings where men who participated in the fighting gather.

Many of these men have displayed outstanding valor in the past few days of bitter struggle on the Karelian Isthmus. Gradually red flags appear on houses, soon they can be seen flying from many buildings.

Troops continue to pour into the city. Impromptu meetings are held on street corners and in open spaces in the suburbs. Above them the Red Flag flies high from a factory building.

Senior Political Instructor Byelousov opens the meeting. Commander Chaiko, who led the

first Red Army detachment into the city, makes a short speech:

"Comrades," he shouts in a loud voice, "peace has been concluded between the Soviet Union and Finland."

"Our peace policy" has scored a brilliant new victory. The security of our northwestern frontier and Leningrad, cradle of the Socialist revolution, are now insured."

The popular commander concluded the meeting with hearty cheers for the heroes of the Red Army and for Stalin, whose name inspired the Red Army fighters in battle and in victory.

Thunderous cheers rang through the icy air as the meeting closed—one of many such meetings throughout the city.



SUGAR CANE HARVESTING IN CUBA.—Natives of Cuba with their bullock team harvest sugar cane in Matanzas province.

Soviets Spend Millions on Health of Byelo-Russians

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

BYELOSTOK, U.S.S.R., March 15.—The 1940 budget for the Baranovich region of West Byelo-Russia testifies to the concern of the Soviet government for the health and cultural development of the population.

The expenditures on education run to 68,000,000 rubles. Kindergartens alone are assigned 1,900,000 rubles. 3,100,000 rubles have been assigned for adult schools in which 75,000 people study.

Expenditures on public health amount to 35,000,000 rubles.

The budget totals 177,000,000 as against 9,100,000 rubles for the former Novogrudski Voevodstvo as the Baranovich region was formerly called.

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on the street when a policeman asked her: "What are you doing here?" "I am just standing on the sidewalk as an American citizen," she replied.

Ten of them seized her and threw her into the patrol wagon. The disorderly conduct charges were dismissed after attorneys for the 13 defendants had insisted that they were perfectly within their rights to picket the Consulate.

Those arrested were: Sam Lessner, 1971 Grand Ave., the Bronx; Morris Dornowicz, 1444 43rd St., Brooklyn; Jerry Cook, 55 W. 42nd St., secretary of the Friends of Abraham Lincoln Brigade; Fred Kriz, 1324 Lexington Ave.; Hyman Hill, 1478 Seabury Place; John Green, 40 Monroe St.; Paul Morris, 313 W. 19th St.; Herman Walters, 1716 Place, Brooklyn; Martin Shanes, 55 W. 42nd St.; Irving Mitchell, 55 W. 42nd St.; Rubin Sobel, 516 Green Ave., Brooklyn, and Milnes Levick, artist of 503 E. 11th St.

Hundreds of organizations and professional people flood the office of the French Consul yesterday with letters and telegrams protesting against the outrageous decree of the Daladier government.

Scores of delegations sought entrance to the Consul's office, but only a group of five students led by Miss Mala Turchin, executive secretary of the New York District of the American Students Union, and a group of five doctors, were able to get inside. Miss Mala left a letter of protest with the Consul's secretary. The following letter from the Emergency Conference to Save Spanish Refugees was sent to the Consul:

"This Delegation, representing more than 400 organizations which for three years supported the Spanish people in their struggle against fascist invasion, condemns the recent decree of the French Government, forcing 100,000 Spanish refugees to return to Spain on March

15th, where they face certain death and torture at the hands of General Franco and his Gestapo agents, who today, one year after the conclusion of the war, murder Spanish Republicans daily in Madrid.

"These are the people who for three years sacrificed everything in the struggle for world democracy and who for the past year have been suffering the most brutal and inhuman treatment accorded them by the Government of Daladier, the Government which pretends to be conducting a war against fascism.

"Conscious of the grave danger facing the Spanish refugees, we pledge to continue the struggle for their defense and freedom.

"We demand that you convey to your Government the following: 'Immediate and unconditional revocation of the decree issued by General Menard, effective on March 15th.

"That the French Government give unrestricted facilities for the transportation of the Spanish refugees to countries willing to harbor them.

"That the right of Asylum, so long inherent in democratic traditions, be respected.

"That the Spanish refugees should not be treated as prisoners, nor should they be forced to join the Foreign Legion or the French Army.

"That S. E. R. E., the Spanish Republican Emigration Service, should be reopened immediately, and all confiscated records and money returned."

Huge War Budget Is Approved by Italy

ROME, March 15 (UP).—The Italian Chamber of Fasces and Corporations today approved an unprecedented aviation budget of \$170,000,000 and a special army appropriation of \$416,000,000, as well as granting the War Ministry permission to receive another \$200,000,000 if it should be necessary during the current fiscal year.

Britain Bans All US Canned Fruit Products

Sen. Nye Calls Action 'Punishment' to Force More Allied Support

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WASHINGTON, March 15 (UP).—The British Embassy announced today that Great Britain is suspending for an indefinite period imports of American canned and bottled fruits as a war measure to conserve dollar exchange and shipping space.

The announcement of this intention, coming after a similar British ban on American tobacco purchases, brought caustic criticism from Congressional leaders. Senator Gerald P. Nye, R., N. D., characterized the action as probably an attempt to punish the United States for "not more actively supporting the Allied side in the war."

The British Embassy said the ban applied to canned peaches, pears, pineapple and a variety of other canned fruits. The restriction will be effected by requiring licenses to import such goods and no licenses will be issued for the time being.

The official D. N. B. News agency said that "apart from a small amount of patrolling by our own pursuit planes on the Western Front and on the northwest coast, there was no air activity to report—either our own or that of the enemy."

Both Sides Report Quiet Day on Western Front

BERLIN, March 15 (UP).—Minor artillery action and scouting operations on the Western Front today were reported in the German High Command communique.

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Anti-Semite Stabber of Chemist Given 3 Years

Judge, in Passing Sentence, Condemns Race Hatred; Knifer Believed Member of Fascist Christian Front

Judge Owen W. Bohan complimented the jury which found William Molloy guilty of felonious assault in General Sessions Court yesterday and sentenced the defendant to serve an indeterminate sentence of not more than three years in the penitentiary.

Molloy brutally stabbed and beat Irving Berger, 26-year-old chemist, on the night of Feb. 22, 1939.

Passing sentence, Judge Bohan, who is an Irish Catholic, condemned race hatred and declared he hoped the case would serve as an example "to others to repress such feelings as you showed."

"Apparently this assault rose out of your inability to suppress a false teaching of hatred toward your fellow man," the judge declared, passing sentence. "In these times the air seems to be filled with matter that has no place in our country. We must set an example to others to repress such feelings as you showed. You are sentenced to the penitentiary."

The assault took place in one of the tunnels of the Grand Central subway station. When Molloy and his brother Irving encountered Irving Berger and a woman friend, one of the Molloys called a vicious insult at Mr. Berger, starting a fist fight. William Molloy pulled a knife and stabbed Mr. Berger five times in the abdomen and thighs. Then the cowardly fled, forgetting William's overcoat.

Mr. Berger had to remain in the hospital for two weeks, convalesced at home for two months, paid a \$240 doctor bill and lost his job."

Have you clipped the "Broader Library" Certificates today?

Sumner Welles To See Pope In Talk Today

Anti-Soviet Spokesman for FDR Also to Be Received by King

ROME, March 15 (UP).—Sumner Welles, President Roosevelt's personal envoy will confer with Pope Pius XII, it appeared certain tonight. Their conversations will take on added significance as result of the audience the Pontiff granted to German Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop in which the Nazi minister reportedly sounded out the Pope on whether he would support a peace plan.

At 10 A. M. Welles is booked to again see Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, and he will see Premier Benito Mussolini between 5 and 6 P. M.

Since all authoritative press commentators in Italy list Welles' mission as one of the topics discussed by Mussolini and Ribbentrop, it is not excluded that Il Duce may have been asked by Ribbentrop to give Welles additional information on the German viewpoint.

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'Johnny Got His Gun' Will Make You Fight War--Flynn

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

Sombody called me up from the Daily Worker and asked if they could send a book over and would I write a piece about it. I said "Yes" in a dreary, preoccupied way. I fear, thinking of meetings and my bad cold and wishing I was one of those

strong people who can say "No." A couple of days later, a second call came--had I read the book? There was a note of eagerness, of excitement in the question which made me feel apologetic. There was also wondering amazement that I could have this one particular book lying around and not read it. So I stayed home one morning to read about Joe Bonham of Shale City, Colorado.

The name of the book is "Johnny Got His Gun." By the time I reached page 82, I actually prayed for strength and courage to be able to read this book through. Joe seemed like someone I knew--such a nice ordinary Western lad, like my nephew Pete. His memory of the savory smells of his mother's kitchen; his sorrow over his hard-working father's death at 51; his boyish love of the glorious Colorado scenery, the Grand Mesa, eleven thousand feet in the sky, and the acres of columbines; how he relished the hamburger-man's delicious sandwiches; his memories of Lincoln Beech's barnstorming trip in his primitive airplane "Messenger of Peace"; of the County Fair and the Indians, and then--"America entered the war and he had come too and here he was."

Born and raised away out in Colorado, now he lay in a foreign hospital, he didn't even know where, to be there forever and ever, without end. He was a piece of unidentified flesh, known only to himself. He lay "quiet like a storekeeper taking spring inventory" and saying to himself, "I have no legs and no arms and no eyes and no ears and no nose and no mouth and no tongue." This book is what he thought as he lay there inert, year after year. The mind of Joe Bonham was there. He was the same Joe as usual to himself.

Finally, crystal clear his thoughts came, he knew exactly what had happened to him; he was conscious of the world around him. He struggled to fight off the flood of torturing memories of his youth, his home town and his young sweetheart, by first mastering time, to know day from night and the changing seasons; then by "figuring things out"--why did he go to war--and by trying to communicate with the world through unheeding and unresponsive attendants.

AN AWARD BOOK
The American Booksellers' Association voted their National Book Award to Dalton Trumbo, the author, for the most original book of the year. It is more than that--it is a story of 1917, of the dirt, carnage and horror of war as reviewed by Joe Bonham in his living tomb--a powerful indictment of the last war and a powerful weapon in the fight for peace in 1940. It's a hard book to read; yet you can't stop. I can well understand why Mr. Trumbo



ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN

says, "It was the most painful jobs I have ever done and I hope, the best." But as he was compelled to write so that Joe could speak, we are compelled to read this unbearable book--to heed Joe's warning words. "The Daily Worker" is performing a splendid service in publishing this remarkable book in serial form, starting on March 17th, next Sunday, and continuing daily thereafter. The book has run into its seventh printing and is becoming a best seller. It is hard to get a copy at present.

There may be some who will say it is a fantastic conception. But the author got his original idea from a news clipping conceiving a British officer in practically the same condition as he pictures Joe, who died after eighteen years of such living death in a hospital room. How can we know if there are not others? Terrible wrecks of the last war are hidden away from view in the Veterans' Hospitals, among the 15,426 "domiciliary cases," possibly some just like these, struggling to be heard, wanting to speak to their fellows as Joe tried to do, denied the right to do so.

Dalton Trumbo, a young writer, member of the Screen Writers' Guild, has done a brave and bold piece of writing in this book. I know nothing of his politics or economic philosophy. But it is clear from his writing, he is no molly-coddle, nor does he live in an ivory tower of intellectual isolationism. His support of Loyalist Spain indicates that, like Lenin, he knows there are good and bad wars. He is not a non-resistant pacifist of the Gandhi type--as the concluding paragraphs make plain, when Joe says to the master class, "If you start another war--alright, we'll finish it! We will point the gun!"

This is the ghastly story of one "Yank" who went "over there," the story behind the cold "casualties records" of 360,300 Americans dead and wounded in the last war. It is the extension of the

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Newark C. P. Sends \$100 To C. P. Fund

Expect Capacity Crowd at Foster Rally Tomorrow

(Special to the Daily Worker)

NEWARK, March 15.--Sending its first installment of \$100 to the national fund for the defense of civil rights for Communists, the New Jersey District of the Communist Party today pledged to William Z. Foster that a more than capacity audience would be on hand at the huge "Defend the Bill of Rights" mass meeting which he will address here Sunday.

In a letter to Foster, signed by State Secretary Lena Davis, the district declared that "the \$50,000 National Defense Fund Drive will strike a responsive cord in the heart of every Party member in our state."

"It is recognized," the letter continued, "that the maintenance of the maximum Bolshevik fighting effectiveness of our Party and its beloved leaders is the precondition for thwarting the aims of the warmongers."

Denouncing the flimsy subterfuges of the government's attack on leading Communists, the letter said: "The artificially contrived conspiracies of the Roosevelt administration to harass the leaders of our Party will not succeed. The people of our state recognize in the strategy of the imperialist bourgeoisie to impede the gigantic labors of our Party in this critical period a threat to the civil liberties of all working people."

Must Have Been the Same 'Sub' FDR Saw Recently
BOSTON, March 15 (UP).--If ships report a "submarine" 400 miles south of Boston, coast guards will ask them to take another look. The steamer Coloradan reported last night that a dead whale, 75 feet long, had been sighted floating in that area.



NEWEST ADDITION TO THE ZOO IN WASHINGTON MAKES ITS PUBLIC DEBUT: A twelve-pound pygmy hippopotamus which was born recently at the Capital's menagerie, photographed with its mother in their enclosure.

Farm and City Unite To Work for Peace

Ohio Steel Workers and Farmers Combine for Joint Action on April 6 Peace Day; Conference Plans Meetings and Broadcasts

(Special to the Daily Worker)

YOUNGSTOWN, March 15.--Steel workers and farmers of the 19th Congressional District of Ohio are preparing to use April 6 for peace. A conference of delegates from all steel lodges of the entire Mahoning Valley met March 10 at McDonald, Ohio, where plans were made for

workers and other trade union members for peace. After an address by Elmer Fehhaber, state secretary of Labor's Non-Partisan League of Ohio, showing the trend of the Roosevelt administration toward war, resolutions were passed against the Roosevelt war budget and against loans to Finland.

The conference sent a letter to all international labor unions urging peace activities. Besides deciding to ask the mayors of Youngstown, Warren, and Niles to declare an official "Peace Day," plans were made for meetings in both Warren and Youngstown and for radio addresses by presidents of district unions for the occasion.

Stanley Zelinski, president of the Sharon Steel Corporation Lodge of the S.W.O.C. was elected chairman of the Mahoning County Peace Committee, and Adolf Plepcha, secretary of the McDonald S.W.O.C. Lodge, was elected chairman of the Trumbull County Committee for Peace.

A great disappointment to the delegates was the address of Congressman Michael J. Kirwan of the 18th Congressional District. Kirwan has in the past always had the support of labor and has taken a progressive stand on all problems, but today he is evidently following President Roosevelt and refuses to take a stand against war or against loans to Finland. He placed the responsibility for unemployment and misery on the working class. This trade union conference against war has received a tremendous response, first from members

of the trade unions, and generally from all civic and fraternal organizations.

Columbiana County, the pottery and agricultural center of the 19th Congressional District, is planning a countywide parade of cars and farm trucks with such slogans suggested by the farmers as "We need farm machinery, not war machinery," and "You can't grow soybeans in Flanders Field."

Weinstein to Repeat Lecture On Soviet Peace

As a result of an overflow audience at Wednesday night's open current events class at the Workers School, a special talk on the Soviet-Finnish Peace Treaty will be given by William Weinstein, Director of the Workers School, on Saturday afternoon at 2:30, on the second floor at 35 E. 12th St. Carl Brodsky will preside.

The speaker will discuss and analyze the Soviet-Finnish treaty covering in detail such salient points as: the significance of the treaty for the peace forces of the world--Soviet treaty contrasted with Treaty of Versailles--Why the White Guards surrendered--A discussion of the nature of the terms--Political perspective for Finland--The debate of the Roosevelt-Hoover policy and the independent policy of the Soviet Union. There will be a question period following the talk. Admission will be 25 cents.

Marcantonio to Preside at Jobless Parley Here Today

To Call on Mayor to Designate March 23 Unemployed Day

The conference to discuss plans to end unemployment called by A. F. of L. and CIO unions for today at 12:30 o'clock will act on a proposal to endorse March 23 as "End Unemployment" Day, and to participate in a demonstration next Saturday at City Hall to be followed by a protest, mass meeting at Foley Square.

A proposal to call on Mayor LaGuardia to declare March 23rd official "End Unemployment Day," as has already been done by the Mayor of Baltimore, will also be made by the committee sponsoring the conference.

The City Hall demonstration plans were proposed after the committee gave up its original plans of holding a Madison Square Garden meeting with John L. Lewis as the main speaker. A letter received from him stated, "On my return to Washington I was happy to find your invitation. However, a schedule of activities of many weeks in advance does not permit me to accept your very gracious offer. I hope you will understand the circumstances. Please convey to the members of the committee my most hearty appreciation of their thoughts for me. Wishing you success."

Congressman Vito Marcantonio will preside at the conference. This honor was given him because of his bill, H. R. 8615, recently entered in Congress, "The American Standard Work and Unemployment Assistance Act," which provides for 3,000,000 jobs, prevailing wage, job security and Federal grants to the states for unemployment assistance.

Organizations participating in the conference in addition to a large number of unions of both camps of labor are:

The American Youth Congress.
The National Association for Advancement of Colored People.
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The St. James Presbyterian Church.
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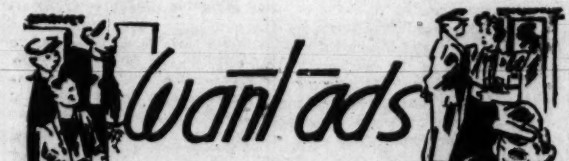
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Michigan C. P. Lashes Detroit Council For Proposed Hunger Relief Budget

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, March 15.--In a critical analysis of the proposed welfare budget now before the City Council the Communist Party of Michigan today declared that it is "the solemn duty" of the Council "to reject this budget as grossly inadequate and to instruct the Welfare Commission to work out a budget that will meet the responsibility of the City of Detroit to the unemployed."

In a statement addressed to the council and to the mayor, the Communist Party insists that instead of cuts in the relief, "the need for increased relief to prevent hunger, starvation and destitution will be greater than ever."

The proposed budget provides for a decrease in relief case-loads from the 18,000-family average in 1939 to 14,000 in the present year. Answering this, the statement points out that "the Roosevelt administration has just announced that 30,000 workers are to be permanently laid off from WPA rolls in Michigan by the end of March, the bulk of which will affect Detroit."

The council is also reminded that even in 1939 over 2,000 relief cases were turned away because of lack of funds.

Similarly, proposals to reduce the present standard of \$40 per month per family to \$35 is denounced as a proposal for slow starvation, and it is pointed out that even the \$40 figure "falls 25 to 35 per cent below the minimum nutritional health requirements established by the

U. S. Department of Agriculture." "The present budget proposal," says the statement, "coming at a time in our city when in the past six months food prices have risen by 20 per cent, can only be characterized as a hunger budget, a budget that will surely take Detroit into the same path as the city of Cleveland with possibly worse consequences."

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Defense Charges Fur Trial Is at Bosses' Bid

Boudin Asks Atty. Gen. Jackson to Investigate Perjury 'Engineered' by Gov't Attorney; Gov't Rests After Four Weeks

(Continued from Page 1)

Elefante and William Greenberg, were dismissed on motion by Berkeley W. Henderson, Special Assistant U. S. Attorney General, who is in charge of the prosecution.

Judge William Bondy adjourned the afternoon session to give defense attorneys time to prepare motions on Monday to dismiss every one of the remaining defendants on the grounds that none of them were connected to any crime charged in the indictment.

The charge in the indictment, drawn on the basis of statements by employers and anti-union stoop-pigeons before a grand jury in 1933, is "conspiracy to restrain trade."

MOTIONS DENIED

For four weeks, at the conclusion of the testimony of each of some 60 witnesses, the defense moved for dismissal of the testimony on the grounds that it had no relation to the charge in the indictment. But at each instance Judge Bondy denied the motion, took the evidence "subject to connection" later in the trial, with leave to renew the motions.

The "connection" didn't come. Henderson has already made the claim he is basing his case on the theory that a strike in factories involved in interstate commerce is "restraint of trade."

Judge Bondy will presumably rule on that too.

Boudin's wire to Jackson related principally to the bombshell in the courtroom—Wednesday when the government's witness William Karpouzas, after delivering what appeared to be the government's juiciest "testimony" to impress the jury, confessed before he left the stand that it was all "engineered" by Frederick J. Whalen, special assistant attorney general, and a stoop-pigeon who testified earlier for the government.

He is now out on \$10,000 bail charged with perjury.

NO TAMPERING

Boudin now demands that Jackson prevent any tampering with the stenographic notes, and similar material in files of the anti-trust division of the Department of Justice.

Boudin's wire to Jackson follows: "I respectfully suggest that you take personal charge of the investigation into perjury committed during the trial now proceeding in the District Court for the Southern District of New York, in which the Fur Union and its officials are prosecuted on an anti-trust indictment, as a result of charges made by a government witness that he had committed perjury at the instigation of persons connected with the prosecution and coaching by a government attorney."

"I also respectfully request that you give strict orders that all files, including all statements of witnesses, be kept intact, as I have reason to believe that those files contain evidence of coaching and perjury. Also, that the six-and-one-half-year old indictment has been revived at the behest of employers as a means of pressure in connection with a labor contract."

Boudin's charge that the old indictment was dug up at the behest of employers as "means of pressure" to obtain concessions in the next union contract, threw a new element into the trial and is expected to figure prominently as the

defense brings forth its witnesses.

The present contract expires at the end of the year. He quite apparently considers that records of interviews and statements for the case, given by stoop-pigeons, employers and racketeers, taken in room 301 of the Federal Building, if not tampered with, will reveal far more extensive perjury and a plot against the International Fur and Leather Workers Union of the CIO.

Mandelbaum's refusal to testify killed the prosecution's grand finale and was a blow that was reflected on the faces of the four prosecutors and U. S. Attorney John T. Cahill who was in the court but could do nothing to help them.

Mandelbaum, with a detective at his side, as he is a resident of Tombs prison on an extortion charge, was put on the stand. He answered two questions—that he is a defendant in this case and had pleaded guilty.

REFUSES TO ANSWER

After that his answer was "I won't answer any questions in this case."

"Why?" the judge asked. "Because it may incriminate me further," Mandelbaum replied.

"I am taken by surprise, your honor," Henderson, his face a bright red, said. "He is obviously a hostile witness. I want permission to cross-examine him."

The judge consented. But Mandelbaum wouldn't talk. Henderson then confronted him with a sheaf of papers purported to be "signed confessions" by Mandelbaum to about 25 incidents. He admitted those had his signatures but declined to answer questions.

An argument on law then developed as to whether the judge could concede to Henderson's request and force the witness to talk. The judge said that under the law he has no right to force a man who pleaded guilty to testify. Upon Henderson's request a recess until the afternoon session was granted, to give him time to find legal authority to the contrary.

But at the opening of the next session the prosecutor acknowledged his helplessness and had no other course but to rest the government's case. He thereupon made the motions to dismiss the four out of the 25 defendants.

As a by-product of the fur trial there were signs that Henderson has been cooperating with New York District Attorney Thomas E. Dewey to revive a dismissed framed murder charge against Morris Lauber, a defendant in the trial. The instrument is Chris Yiores, one of the associates of Louis Loukas and Charles Salounias, two provocateurs and strikebreakers who had testified for the government. Yiores claims that he saw Lauber stab Tavanitis, a Greek furrier, one of a parade of strikebreakers in 1933, who were escorted by police to work. Yiores says he was in that parade. Loukas and Salounias, during their testimony, also made inferences to bolster Yiores' story.

Delivery of those stories by the stoop-pigeons brought immediate reports from Dewey's office that new interest was aroused in the case. Meanwhile, the reactionary Jewish Daily Forward gleefully featured the Yiores story on its front page while August Gerber, Social Democratic attorney for the organization of strikebreakers in the furrier's strike headed by Salounias delivered an inciting radio speech over WEVD against the fur union leaders on trial, especially against Lauber.

Roosevelt and the Press Owe the People an Apology

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hostilities continued, the CENSORSHIP naturally SUPPRESSED OR MINIMIZED the damage done by Soviet air raids to INDUSTRIES AND TRANSPORT VITAL TO ARMED RESISTANCE." (Our emphasis—Editor).

To all this, there should be added the admission in a dispatch from Helsinki in Tuesday's Herald Tribune that "Helsinki itself has not really been bombed since the first day of the war." (And this bombing was not of civilians, but of military positions, for Helsinki is a FORTIFIED town—Editor).

It all adds up to this: A monstrous hoax was perpetrated at the outset of the war by the Roosevelt Administration and the press. News of the destruction of military objectives was suppressed while the air raids were deliberately pictured as aimed at defenseless civilians.

Is it not clear now that Premier Molotov was speaking truthfully and accurately when

he told Ambassador Steinhardt on Dec. 1 that "Soviet airplanes have not bombed cities and are not going to do so, but they have bombed airdromes; our government values the interests of the Finnish population no less than any other government does."

But the talks about "civilian" bombings were only a part of the network of lies that were invented during the Finnish war.

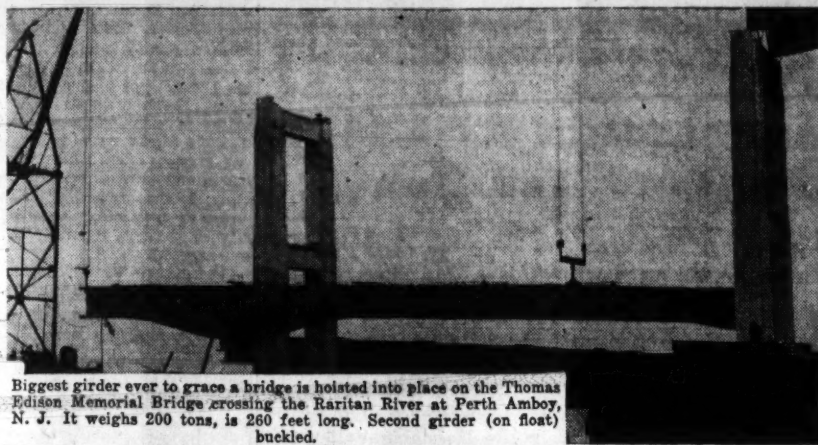
There were the lies about the "incompetence" of the Red Army—an "incompetence" which confounded the military experts and smashed a line like the Mannerheim Line for the first time in history. (Yesterday The New York Times was compelled to say in an editorial: "Let us not draw fancy pictures of Finnish patrols slipping unscathed through forests while Russian divisions halted, froze and perished in their tracks." But who drew these "fancy pictures" with greater disregard for the truth and the intelligence of the reader than the N. Y. Times itself?)

There were the lies about the Scandinavian

countries begging for Allied intervention. But now Premier Tanner of Finland himself makes it clear that the Scandinavian countries had "categorically refused" on "several occasions" to permit Allied troops to pass across their territories.

The capitalist press betrayed its readers from the very first day to the last day of the war in Finland, and is continuing the same game. The Daily Worker alone has told the truth at every stage. That is the real reason why the war-mongers and liars have wanted to see our voice stifled. (The New York Mirror, for example, howled with rage at our Thursday editorial which called the Finnish-Soviet treaty a "victory over the war-makers" and demanded our suppression because of it).

These attempts to suppress the only truthful and free press, can best be checked by building the Daily Worker. Its record during the war in Finland is proof that the Daily Worker is needed by the American people and will be welcomed and defended by them.



Biggest girder ever to grace a bridge is hoisted into place on the Thomas Edison Memorial Bridge crossing the Raritan River at Perth Amboy, N. J. It weighs 200 tons, is 260 feet long. Second girder (on float) buckled.

Council Shelves Bill to Retain Elevated Lines

Kinsley Measure Put Over Despite Public, Union Objections

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for the resolution, making the count eleven to ten for shelving.

Mr. Kinsley, urging immediate adoption of the resolution, charged that the Bronx got a "dirty deal" in the Board of Estimate Thursday when it voted to give the city power to demolish the "E" lines in unification proceedings without guaranteeing jobs for the employees on the lines or substitute transportation facilities.

He asserted that under the present plan of Mayor LaGuardia the "E" lines will be demolished within forty-five days.

The LaGuardia-Kinsley bill which would permit the city to operate the "E" lines for a year after unification was filed by the Council.

This bill, which was introduced by Kinsley at the request of the Mayor, would not bar the city from demolishing the lines before the year is up.

The Transport Union asked that this bill be amended to bar demolition until new transit facilities are constructed.

Kinsley, although he introduced the measure, opposed it both in committee and on the floor of the council.

"There has been introduced in

Albany a bill designed to give the Board of Estimate power to adjust fare unification," Kinsley said. "There goes the five cent fare."

"Is this the great thing promised us? The Bronx has been outraged to satisfy gentlemen of Wall Street."

Earlier, the Council by a vote of 16 to 5 adopted the Keegan resolution calling on the Board of Higher Education to rescind the appointment of Bertrand Russell as professor of Philosophy at City College. The Council, by the same vote, turned down a minority resolution offered by Laborite Harry W. Laidler endorsing Russell's appointment.

Charles E. Keegan, sponsor of the resolution, referred to Dr. Russell as "this alien" of "doubtful moral character."

Councilwoman Genevieve B. Earle asked Mr. Keegan if he would oppose enlisting the great minds of other nations to come to our schools.

Keegan replied that he would even object to Professor Albert Einstein if he was an alien and did not take out citizenship papers.

The meeting, which was disorderly throughout, adopted a resolution to set up a Councilmanic committee to investigate conditions at Lincoln Hospital, a city institution.

A measure requesting the State Legislature to adopt a bill which would permit the city to make a banking arrangement to borrow \$30,000,000 at short term rates to finance its share in construction of the proposed \$80,000,000 Battery-Brooklyn tunnel was adopted unanimously.

The tunnel bill was adopted at the request of the Mayor and of Park Commissioner Robert Moses.

Moses appeared before the Council and explained the operations of the financing scheme.

New Jersey Towns Face Spring Floods

Delaware River Rises, Threatens Towns Along Banks

An unseasonable storm which sent temperatures tumbling from the Gulf of Mexico to Ontario and left upstate New York covered with ice or snow, created a serious flood menace in New Jersey yesterday.

The Delaware River, swollen by rains which fell all night, rose to the point where residents of the Delaware River Valley were preparing to flee their homes. The greatest threat appeared to be to the lower valley where the Lehigh River flows into the Delaware.

At Morristown, N. J., the Whippany River overflowed and forced 50 families to evacuate homes in a section known as "the hollow." In other sections of Morris County highways were inundated. The town of Whippany also reported flood conditions.

In Northern New Jersey the Musconetcong and Raritan Rivers were glutted. The Raritan flooded highways south of the town of Raritan after a 12-foot rise but began to recede later.

The storm in New York State was a return engagement of the ice and snow which crippled communications and blocked highways last week.

Don't miss the first instalment of "Johnny Got His Gun." This novel by Dalton Trumbo is the most powerful indictment of imperialist war since "All Quiet on the Western Front."

Lewis to Take Part in Transit Talk With Mayor

To Participate in Conference Here Monday, Along with Leaders of T.W.U. on Unification Crisis

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ective Board, Transport Workers Union of America, and the Executive Board of the Transport Workers Union of Greater New York, Local 100, T. W. U. of A., Friday, March 15, 1940.

"WHEREAS, after 18 months of repeated appeals, F. H. LaGuardia, Mayor of the City of New York, has agreed to meet with the representatives of the Transport Workers Union of America and the Transport Workers Union of Greater New York to confer on the collective bargaining and contract rights of the 27,000 employees of the I.R.T. and B.M.T. companies who are to be transferred into city employment upon consummation of the Mayor's unification plan; and

"WHEREAS, the first collective bargaining agreements for transit labor in the City of New York were attained with the aid and counsel of John L. Lewis, President, and Sidney Hillman, vice-president, of the Congress of Industrial Organizations; and

"WHEREAS, it is the sanctity of these very agreements and collective bargaining rights which are now at stake; be it

"RESOLVED, that we respectfully invite President John L. Lewis and Vice-President Sidney Hillman to serve on the committee of representatives of the Transport Workers Union of America and the Transport Workers Union of Greater New York which will call to confer with Mayor F. H. LaGuardia, Monday, March 18, 9 A. M., at the City Hall of New York City."

HIT DEMOLITION PLAN

The International Executive Board and the Executive Board sent telegrams of protest and condemnation to each of the Board of Estimate members who on Thursday voted in favor of demolition of Manhattan, Bronx and Brooklyn Elevated Lines. Telegrams of appreciation were at the same time sent to Borough Presidents Stanley Isaacs and James Lyons for casting their vote against the demolitions.

Signed by both executive boards, the telegrams to Council President Newbold Morris, Controller Joseph D. McGoldrick, Deputy Mayor Rufus E. McGahan and Borough Pres-

idents John Cashmore, George U. Harvey and Joseph A. Palma, read:

"Strongly protest and condemn your vote for demolition of Manhattan, Bronx and Brooklyn Elevated Lines in the face of united opposition of the people of New York. You now share responsibility for consequences which must follow lack of adequate transit facilities for the people and callous disregard for the welfare of 4,800 veteran elevated employees and their families."

The telegram to Isaacs and Lyons read:

"Please accept our profound appreciation for your adherence to the wishes of the people by your vote against demolition of Elevated Lines. Your response to the united opposition voiced before the Board of Estimate was far more in the spirit of American fair play than was that of your colleagues on the Board who turned deaf ears to the pleas of veteran elevated employees whose very lives and existence are at stake."

Crash Pilot Held on Charge Of 'Assault'

After questioning Joseph Rosmarin for 2½ hours, Assistant District Attorney Joseph A. McKinney of Richmond County last night described as "unbelievable" the story he told of a hand-to-hand fight with a passenger in an airplane he was piloting over New York yesterday.

"Until it is thoroughly checked we can't accept it," McKinney said. "The happenings in the air according to his story were of such a nature and of so unusual a character that it leaves one to doubt the circumstances."

The plane crashed into New York Bay. Rosmarin was rescued by a boat. The body of the dead or unconscious passenger, Emanuel Eisenberg, press agent and writer, slipped from the plane and washed up today on the Jersey shore.

Rosmarin, for nine years an aviation instructor, was booked on a charge of felonious assault. McKinney said the charge was based on the flier's admission that he struck Eisenberg with a pair of

Court Refuses To Halt Local Cutters Election

Former Strong-arm Group Loses Court Petition Action

Supreme Court Justice McLaughlin yesterday threw out a petition to halt today's election of Cutters' Local 4, of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, filed by one of those ousted from the union's leadership several years ago when President Sidney Hillman cleared out the Beckerman racketeering machine.

The petition was filed by August Gerber, Social Democrat and of late attorney for several groups stemming from once powerful strong-arm gang supported groups. He appeared in behalf of Irving Alexander, whom the union ruled off the ballot as candidate for business agent.

Alexander as the other associates of Abraham Beckerman, are denied a right to hold office in the union by order of the General Executive Board of the union.

The election will take place at Webster Hall, 113 East 11th St., between 9 A. M. and 3 P. M.

The progressives in the union are supporting the administration's slate on local offices. They have put forward Milton Beryson and William Kaufman as their only two candidates for delegate.

Negro Robbed, Tied to RR Track, Loses Foot

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., March 15 (UP).—John Henry Hollondson, a Negro, fought to free himself from a railroad track last night as a fast passenger train roared down the tracks. He had been robbed by three white men who then tied him to the tracks with barbed wire. As the Texas Special bore down he freed a foot and rolled to one side. The other foot, however, was still fastened and the wheels cut it off.

Hollondson had saved \$252 from his WPA checks. Yesterday he went to Marshfield to apply for a dairy job.

Consider Wage Rise For 200,000 Workers

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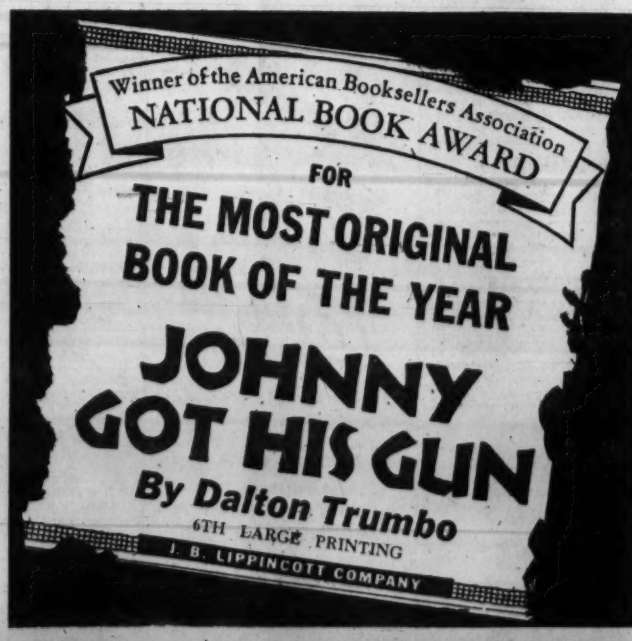
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page of "Johnny Got His Gun" is a passionate indictment of imperialist war. In the words of Lawrence Emery, book reviewer for the Daily Worker, "... it is a book that should be read by every male American of draft age, by every American woman who has a son, brother, husband of draft age..." Begin "Johnny Got His Gun" in tomorrow's Sunday Worker. Follow it serially every day. Published by special arrangement with J. B. Lippincott Company.

Begin It in Tomorrow's SUNDAY WORKER

Famed Musicians to Aid China



Ormandy and Stokowski to Perform

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 15.—The greatest social and musical event of the season will be held at the Academy of Music here on Thursday evening, March 21, when 180 musicians, members of the Philadelphia Orchestra and the Curtis Institute of Music, will play for the benefit of China Aid Council under the joint direction of four of the world's best known conductors: Leopold Stokowski, Eugene Ormandy, Saul Caston and Charles O'Connell.

Spur Recruiting in Communist Party

N. Y. Industrial Section of the Party Challenges the Waterfront and Is Promptly Taken Up in Drive for 15 Per Cent Increase

New York Sections and Branches of the Communist Party have already begun intensive activities in the national recruiting drive whose objective is to increase the Party membership by 15 per cent by the time the National Convention opens May 30.

The Industrial Section yesterday issued a formal challenge to the Waterfront Section to engage in socialist competition in the recruiting drive. In extending the challenge, Joe Roberts, organizer of the Industrial Section, praised the splendid work of the Waterfront Section, whose membership he declared had shown its keen understanding and interest in building the Party "by being first to complete the Party Fund Drive and by systematic recruiting of new members."

The challenge was offered "with our warmest Communist greetings, confident that we will win."

Accepting the challenge, Al Lannan, organizer of the Waterfront Section, pointed to the early results of the recruiting drive in his Section, which has brought in 29 new members since March 1, when the National Recruiting Drive opened. "We expect to complete our quota of 15 per cent of our membership by April 1, and to continue recruiting at campaign speed, so that by convention time we will have a record to be proud of."

As part of its intensive recruiting campaign the Industrial Section is issuing a weekly recruiting bulletin to all of its branches, recording the progress of the campaign and stimulating competition between branches and groups within branches.

Meanwhile, the Seamen's branch of the Waterfront Section, at its

meeting Tuesday night, announced its intention of recruiting more new members than any other branch in the country. They pledged particular attention to the recruiting of Negro workers, and to give aid to the longshore, harbor worker and teamster branches in the section to enlarge their membership.

They offered a particular challenge to the seamen of San Francisco, in a personal "inter-industry competition," and pledged a "sea-going prize" to any branch in the country which out-recruits them.

Workers School To Hold 2-Week 'Open House'

All classes of the Workers School, starting Monday will be open to visitors for a period of two weeks, marking the end of the present term and the beginning of the new, it was announced today at the school office by Director William Weinstein.

The aim of open school week is to give prospective students an opportunity to acquaint themselves with the various courses which the school has to offer. Registration for the Spring term will begin on Monday, March 18th, and catalogues describing the full program of courses are available at the Workers School office, 35 E. 12 St., Room 301.

THE 'ILL HOUSED' ARE STILL THERE, MR. ROOSEVELT!

Survey Reveals 25,000 Here Live In Unhealthy Underground Dwellings

Living conditions for New York City's 25,000 persons who live in cellar dwellings are described as unsanitary and health-destroying in a report by the Committee on Housing of the Community Service Society.

The committee cites its findings in support of a recommendation for passage of the Pack-Goldberg

bill, which would prohibit occupancy of cellar apartments having floors more than three feet underground.

Recalling that conditions in cellar homes were made public through a survey conducted two years ago, the report states that no improvements have been made since then.

The current report is based upon an examination of 57 basement dwellings picked at random. Twenty-seven of these were found to be illegally occupied and had been condemned as long ago as 1901 as unfit for habitation. Six of the apartments had no outside windows, and 26 opened

on shafts affording little ventilation. In 54 apartments the only heating was from overhead pipes. Coal gas fumes were found in many of these. Inadequate plumbing facilities were found in almost all cases.

The report stresses that 10,000 children are among the occupants of basement dwellings.

Charlotte, N.C. Fire Kills 6, Injures 9

Three Die in Toronto Hotel Blaze, Others Jump to Safety

CHARLOTTE, N. C., March 15 (UP).—Six persons were killed and at least nine seriously burned in a fire which swept a downtown apartment house here today.

The blaze broke out in the basement of the 24-family three-story apartment shortly after 1 A. M. and raged for three hours before firemen brought it under control.

The fire swept up through the building, trapping those in upper stories. Many leaped from second and third story windows. Others were rescued by firemen with ladders.

At least three of the injured were in critical condition in Charlotte hospitals.

A fire man was injured when attempting to break the fall of a woman who jumped from a third-floor window.

TORONTO, Ont., March 15 (UP).—Two men and a woman were burned to death and 20 others were injured, four seriously, in a fire which swept through the old Avonmore hotel early today.

The fire started in the basement of the hotel, one of the oldest in Toronto, and swept upward. Arthur Oswald, 37-year-old night clerk, and William Gifford, risked their lives, and were seriously injured as a result, by working their way through smoke and fire from floor to floor in the three-story structure and arousing guests.

Grade Crossing Death Toll Rises to 27

MCALLEN, Tex., March 15 (UP).—The death toll in what was believed to be the worst grade crossing in history was raised to 27 today.

Juan Toss, 27, one of 16 citrus workers injured when a passenger train crashed into a truck yesterday, died in a hospital. Two others of those injured were reported in critical condition.

over the United States are the American, Australian, Oriental, and German cockroaches. Recently a new member of the family has been migrating north. This is the small tropical cockroach, so cosmopolitan that it is known in most of the hot, damp cities of the world. It has long been a pest in the Gulf Coast region. Lately it has been reported in homes as far north as Nebraska and Illinois. This roach is only three-eighths to half an

inch long and has two crossbands of light yellow on the back. Whether this tropical roach will thrive in the North and become a serious pest depends on how it stands the climate. Already it has been found not only near food but collected in furniture, in corners of warm rooms, and in lockers.

Doctor Back suggests that this cockroach is probably a hitchhiker, travelling north in the luggage of motorists who winter in the South.

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Benjamin to Tour Nation in Series of CP Defense Rallies

National Committee Member, Pioneer Jobless Leader to Address Meetings Throughout Country to Rally American People

Herbert Benjamin, member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, who resigned recently as general secretary of the Workers Alliance, left New York yesterday on a nation-wide speaking tour to rally the American people to the defense of civil liberties and the Communist Party.

Returning to active work for the National Committee after rendering years of invaluable service to the organization of the unemployed, Benjamin declared that "there is a greater need now than ever for a powerful and strong Workers Alliance and trade union movement to fight for peace and defend the civil liberties of the people."

To effectively defend the civil rights of the American people, he said, "it is imperative that the Communist Party be strengthened as a mighty weapon against the war-makers and enemies of the people. The New Dealers and the most reactionary representatives of big business are well aware of the role that the Communist Party has played in the past. It is the fear of what it can and will do in the future struggles for the economic well being of the American people that the reactionaries are endeavoring to crush it."

"That is why their attacks upon the needs and rights of the people start first with attacks upon the Communist Party and its leader Earl Browder."

"I feel," he continued, "that I will be aiding in every effort to help organize the unemployed when I help rally support for the campaign to defend civil liberties, the Communist Party and Earl Browder."

PIONEER JOBLESS LEADER

Benjamin was one of the founders and foremost leaders of the organized unemployed movement in America, and has been actively associated with every struggle for relief and social insurance during the last ten years. He has been a member of the National Committee since 1928. From 1931 to 1935, he was national secretary of the Unemployed Councils, after which he became general secretary-treasurer of the Workers Alliance when the two organizations merged in 1935. In 1934, Benjamin was arrested in Gallup, New Mexico, for violating a martial law which sought to bar him from speaking to striking coal miners.

He received a one-year sentence by the military court martial but was released after seven weeks as a part of the agreement of the strike settlement.

Discussing the Roosevelt hunger budget, the abandonment of the New Deal program and the administration's drive toward war, Benjamin said he was proud of his work which in the past years helped to win many concessions for the workers. "But," he pointed out, "in times like these the working class and the American people have a greater and more urgent need of the leadership and help that can be provided only by a powerful political party devoted to their interests and the final aim of socialism. The Communist Party is such a party. That is why I can see no other way of serving the unemployed and labor movement at this time than by devoting all my time to help in the effort to defend and build the Communist Party."

The itinerary of Benjamin's tour follows:

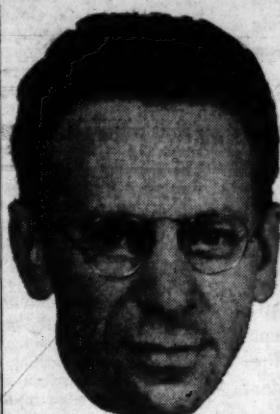
Pittsburgh, March 18-19-20, Cleveland, March 21-22-23, Detroit, March 24-25-26, Chicago, March 27-28-29, Missouri, March 30-31, April 1, Iowa (Des Moines), April 2-3, Omaha, April 4-5, Denver, April 6-7-8, Salt Lake City, Utah, April 10-11, So. California, April 13-14-15-16.

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Oregon, April 23-24,
Washington, April 25-26-27-28-29-30, May 1,
Montana, May 2-3-4,
Dakotas, May 5-6-7,
Minnesota, May 8-9-10-11-12,
Chicago, May 15,
West Virginia, May 16-17,
Maryland, May 18-19,
Washington, D. C., May 20-21-22,
Connecticut, May 23-24-25.

Shoe Union Gets Wage Rise, Better Conditions

Orthopedic shoe workers of Local 563, of the United Shoe Workers of America CIO, yesterday won a new agreement to extend to 1943, which guarantees improved working conditions, reduced hours and a wage increase.

IWO Lodges in Fund Drive for Wiener Appeal

Spur Campaign to Free Him from Passport Conviction

Members and Lodges of the International Workers Order have signified their determination to support the defense and appeal of William Wiener, President of the I. W. O. against his recent conviction in the Federal District Court of New York.

Wiener was convicted on a technical charge of passport violation and was sentenced to two years with a recommendation of deportation by Trial Judge Knox. The sentence did not carry with it the usual recommendation for bail pending appeal, the Trial Judge leaving the matter of continued bail up to the Appellate Court.

The William Wiener Defense Committee, a voluntary association of leading members and officers of the I. W. O., calls for intensified effort of all members of the Order to resist and defeat this persecution of their beloved President. A decision has been made to carry the appeal to the Supreme Court of the U. S. If necessary, the Committee, through its Secretary, Norman H. Tallentire, called for redoubled efforts and increased activity in raising funds urgently needed for immediate action on Wiener's appeal.

Wiener, a charter member of the I. W. O. and Chairman of the historic first meeting in Cooper Union which launched the Order ten years ago, has been an active and earnest worker in building the organization throughout the country. His devotion to the work of progressive organizations is shown by the fact that he has been chairman of the I. W. O. for the eight years and also chairman of the Jewish People's Committee and has been active in various other liberal and progressive organizations.

The Committee asked that all checks or money orders be made payable to Julius Littinsky, Treasurer, and mailed to Norman H. Tallentire, Secretary, 80 E. 11th St., Room 436, New York City.

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Kings ALP Hails Election Board Primary Ruling

The Kings Division of the Progressive Committee to Rebuild the American Labor Party through its secretary, Arthur E. Blyn, yesterday hailed the decisions rendered by the Board of Elections... "as a body blow to the opposition's campaign, and greatly enhancing the prospects of an overwhelming sweep for the Kings Progressives on Primary Day, April 2."

The election board upheld the charges of the attorneys for the Progressive Committee and on the basis of evidence submitted, proceeded to invalidate the Primary slates of the Rose-Hollander clubs in the 3rd and 15th Assembly Districts. The Board ruled that after deducting the proven forgeries and fraudulent signatures listed in their petitions, there were not sufficient valid names remaining to secure them a listing on the primary ballot. The State Election Law requires a minimum of 5 per cent signatures from the enrolled voters in each assembly district to secure primary designation.

As a result of the Board's ruling

the Progressive slates will be unopposed in these two districts, virtually assuring the election of five Progressive state committeemen from each. The failure of Ludwig Lore, professional red-baiter and sordid District to secure the minimum required signatures can be interpreted as a repudiation by the enrolled voters of red-baiting.

In the only challenge brought by the opposition against the Progressive Committee slate in the 20th Assembly District, the Election Board dismissed charges as "groundless and unsubstantiated."

The Progressive Committee slates filed in all 23 Assembly Districts in Kings have been approved by the Election Board.

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Local 22 Rank and File Name Their Candidates

A cheering membership meeting of the Left Wing Rank & File Group of Local 22 International Ladies Garment Workers Wednesday adopted a slate of 41 candidates for union posts and convention delegates.

The election will be held on Thursday, March 21st.

In submitting the names of the candidates, Isidore Weisberg, chairman of the Left Wing Group declared that every person on the slate was pledged to carry on a militant struggle for the improvement of conditions among the dressmakers who are facing their fourth year of depressed earnings and much unemployment. No managerial candidate was proposed. Weisberg said, in the interest of concentrating on the election of dressmakers who would be a constructive driving force in union affairs.

It was announced last night that the main mass election rally would take place Monday, March 18th, right after work at the Hotel Diplomat, 108 West 43rd St., New York City.

Weisberg hit the Zimmerman administration for its policy of appeasement and cession to employers. "For three years now," he said, "the administration has blamed

every set-back and failure on the unorganized out-of-town market. But it has neglected to take obvious and fundamental steps to organize the unorganized and halt runaway shops. It has spread defeatism among the dressmakers through its policy of multiplying difficulties instead of solving them."

The Rank and File slate made public follows:

CONVENTION DELEGATES
Dave Friedman, Martha Cohen, Bertha Edgcombe, Jack Goldstein, Dora Zucker, Abraham Skolnick, Fannie Golan, David Shapiro, Samuel Haber, Isidore Weisberg, Abraham Skolnick, Morris Sweeder, David Shapiro, Dora Zucker, J. Weiss, Pearl Kleinman, Senia Chalkin, Bertha Edgcombe, Jack Goldstein, Fannie Golan, Alex Casack, Samuel Haber, Dora Brown, Meyer Weiss, Sarah Gilbert, Sam Laker, Nettie Silverbrook, Sam Goldstein, Clara Kerson.

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A new member of the cockroach family has found its way to kitchens in northern States, according to Dr. E. A. Back of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine. Cockroaches qualify as great world travelers. They reach the far corners of the earth as stowaways and hitchhikers on ships, trains, automobiles, and even airplanes.

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"Give Us A Battlefield" . . . !

• With the conclusion of the Soviet-Finnish peace, the ugly face of those who want war to spread grows clearer with every passing hour.

For example, the Paris press is reported by the Associated Press yesterday as screaming, "find a battlefield and make war."

There is in London and Paris a real fear that the peace in Finland may spread, that it is "catching."

"Find a battlefield and make war"—could the bloodthirsty madness of the imperialist cliques be more clearly expressed? Let hell break loose! Let the peoples be slaughtered, while the stock brokers and munition-makers reap fabulous profits. Such is the mad vision and wild plan of those who tried to start a world war in Finland and failed—thanks to the Soviet Union.

This cry for a "battlefield" explains why and how Mannerheim acted as a puppet of London, Paris and Wall Street.

It also explains the desperate efforts, continued up to the last minute before peace, to drag or shove Sweden and Norway into the war as a "battlefield" for the Allied armies.

They wanted Sweden and Norway to be a "battlefield." Having failed, will they now try to turn the Balkans and Turkey into a battlefield for their imperialist butcheries, their aggressions against the peaceful Soviet Union?

This is the confession of their desire for aggression, for ever-spreading war.

Suppose some small nation stands in their way? Suppose some of the small nations, as Scandinavia or the Balkans, want to remain at peace and live as independent nations? Overrun them! Crush them! Bully and threaten them! Get them into war, turn them into battlefields! "The Allies can no longer hesitate to tear up certain diplomatic fictions" concerning the independent sovereignty of small nations, cries the Paris "Le Temps." This contempt for small nations is the real program of the imperialist savours of the "small nations" in London, Paris and Wall Street.

It is obvious that the imperialists refuse to heed the will of the peoples for peace. The fight for peace must rise higher. The imperialist war must be ended. The people have nothing whatever to gain from it. The policy of the Roosevelt Administration does not echo the peace desires of the American people. Public opinion here should repeat again and again—Keep America Out. The Yanks Are Not Coming. The imperialist war must stop.

What About the Bill of Rights in New York City?

• Mayor LaGuardia is trying to bring back the police-club "civil liberties" suffered under Grover Whalen, Mayor O'Brien and Tammany's James Walker.

Thirteen men and women were yesterday brutally manhandled and arrested by the police—one woman was dragged along the street by a dozen officers—because they lawfully picketed the French consulate. These people were expressing the deep hu-

manitarian and progressive sentiments of all Americans against Daladier's bestial forcing of 100,000 anti-fascist Spaniards back to Franco's firing squads and torture chambers.

Meanwhile, more than a dozen members of the Workers Alliance are languishing in jail because they picketed for their direct needs. The protest of the Alliance has been endorsed by no less than five unions who have also had their picket lines dispersed by the police in the last few days.

These outrageous violations of constitutional liberties grow out of Mayor LaGuardia's order to break up picket lines during the European war. The police are turned loose on citizens who exercise their constitutional rights to picket for peace and for bread. It is a hunger and war policy patterned after President Roosevelt's and it is in line with the Mayor's plan to divert relief funds, his anti-labor attacks against the Transport Workers Union preceding unification, his undermining the five-cent fare, his general-hopping to the tunes of the bankers and bondholders.

The people of this city do not intend to permit the Mayor's unity with the Republican and Tammany reactionaries to black-out their civil liberties. That "war emergency" gag doesn't fool anyone. Labor and the people will deluge City Hall with protests in protection of the Bill of Rights in New York City.

The Department of Justice On the Spot

• The bad smell which has surrounded the government's case against the leaders of the Fur Workers Union, has been intensified with the sensational statement by one government witness that he had given false testimony after being coached by a Department of Justice representative, and with the dramatic refusal of the government's star witness to testify at all.

The sudden withdrawal of charges against four of the defendants after they have been under indictment for six and a half years and have sat in the courtroom for several weeks, likewise shows up the emptiness of the charges still leveled against the rest of the union leaders.

An investigation of the FBI, the demand for which is constantly growing, should also probe into the methods used by the Department of Justice to procure and coach witnesses against the labor leaders.

It's TWO-Thirds of a Nation

• Just as President Roosevelt has abandoned the fight for the "one-third of a nation," of which he used to speak so much, a government survey reveals that it is not one-third, but rather two-thirds which is ill-housed, ill-fed and ill-clad.

This survey reveals that 66 per cent of the families in the United States have incomes of less than \$1,500 a year and that their average income is actually only \$826 a year. Since, according to economists, a decent living standard for a family of four costs at least \$1,200 a year, it can be definitely stated that in the richest country in the world, a majority of the people have sub-standard incomes.

The secret of this widespread poverty is to be found in another item in the survey: the disclosure that richest one per cent of the population has as much income as the 40-per cent of the population in the lowest brackets.

It is this siphoning of the national income into the pockets of a few, which spells hunger for the many, and decrees unemployment and crises. But the Roosevelt Administration which reveals these figures, has abandoned all pretense at remedying them. Basing itself now on a program of war and war orders to keep big business going, it is cutting down on social expenditures and reducing the slim purchasing power of two-thirds of a nation still further.

Letters From Our Readers

Suggests Pamphlet On Movies

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I agree with the analysis of David Platt's series of fine articles on Negroes and their role in the film industry. His recommendations in bringing them forward is also coupled with the campaign to extend democracy as a whole. Can anyone dispute that "Gone With the Wind" distorts history in favor of reaction—attacks national minorities, later it will be Catholics, Jews, Irish, etc., promotes war hysteria and is an obstacle for the trade unions who seek to organize in the South (agriculture, factory, steel, oil).

May I recommend that all progressive pictures be listed so that the public can benefit. Such pictures like "Abe Lincoln in Illinois," "Harvest," "The Fight for Life," "Grapes of Wrath," etc.

A well-illustrated pamphlet circulated amongst the trade unions, parent-teacher groups, civic organizations, churches, etc., would be a decisive force in the fight for peace and democracy. S. K.

College Students Determined to Resist War-Making Attack on Campus

Ann Arbor, Mich.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The City of Ann Arbor, site of the University of Michigan, has the finest library facilities in the Midwest. There, for all who are interested to see, are the records and documents that would make the present world and national situations intelligible and comprehensible. Unfortunately, however, for most of our instructors, a fact is a fact only if it appears in William Randolph Hearst's Detroit Times. Such an anti-intellectual and unscholarly attitude at first glance appears beyond understanding. I blush to think what students in the Soviet Union must think about such scholarship. It becomes quite clear, however, when it is placed in the total picture of a concerted attempt to engage our sympathies and our lives in a war against the first workers' and peasants' state, the Soviet Union. The administrators of our universities have always considered themselves to be employees of the bourgeoisie: their main concern has historically been to preserve and to propagandize the status quo. With the whole bourgeoisie united in its mad attempt to make war on the Soviet Union, then, it is only natural to find our campuses being turned over lock, stock and barrel to the war machine.

There are two very significant forces which stand in the way of this plan. First is the determination of college students, together with the overwhelming majority of the American people, to resist and to fight every effort directed toward war against our brothers in the land of socialism, the trustees and builders of the future of all mankind. Second is the regular appearance of truth and honesty and fact in the columns of the Daily Worker. M. C.

Croatian Workers Set Example with Contribution to Browder Defense Fund

Farrell, Pa.

Editor, Daily Worker:

"Defense Committee for Civil Rights for Communists," Pittsburgh, Pa.

"Dear Comrades:

"Enclosed a group of workers, readers of Radnicki-Glasnik from Farrell, Pa., are sending \$25 to Browder's Defense Fund.

"We are sending greetings to Comrade Browder in his struggle for the working class against war; we are with him in his struggle.

"Comradely yours,
"CROATIAN READERS OF RADNICKI-GLASNIK."
The above letter contained a check for the sum of \$25, expressing simultaneously the solidarity, generosity and loyalty of a small group of Croatian workers of Farrell, Pa., was gratefully received at the office of the Defense Committee for Civil Rights for Communists of Western Penna.

In acknowledging receipt of this generous donation, and warm comradely greetings to Comrade Browder, the Committee wishes to express its gratitude by stating that the Croatian workers and comrades of Farrell have set an example to their fellow workers in Western Pennsylvania that we hope will enable and aid the Committee to rapidly reach the goal in the gigantic task of building a joint Bail and Defense Fund of (\$16,000) sixteen thousand dollars, with which to protect Browder and his comrades in Western Pennsylvania against the onslaughts and persecution of the imperialist war-mongers.

E. P. CUSH, Secretary-Treasurer.
Defense Committee for Civil Rights for Communists.

Texas High School Students Think Daily Worker 'Swell'

Texas.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I am sixteen years old and a senior in High School and I could not afford to subscribe to your paper. Some friend paid for my subscription for this past year and now this subscription has expired. Although with all my heart I wish that I could, I find myself in a position that makes it financially impossible for me to do this.

Each day I have taken your paper to school and we have discussed it thoroughly in my Current Events class. All the kids think that it is swell and I think that I have made your paper many friends. I'm sure that all the kids will be awfully disappointed not to get to read your paper any more, but it is impossible to renew this subscription.

Thank you very much for the Daily Worker and thanks to the person who paid for it—although I can see that we will have no more connections with each other because of this difficulty, you can always be assured of my full support. Thanks again for opening my eyes to see the truth about America. S.

Where 25 Met Death in Train Truck Crash



Dead and dying are scattered along rail tracks near McAllen, Texas after crash of train and truck carrying Mexican fruit-pickers at grade crossing. A priest moves among the dead and dying administering last rites to some of the twenty-five fruit pickers who were riding in a truck when it was struck by a train, in the worst accident of its kind in Texas history. Women and children were among the dead. Seventeen others were injured. One of the dying (left) holds his face while others manage to raise their heads. They were in search of a job at the time of the accident. [Photograph]

Dionisio Encina, Foundry Worker, Leader of Mexican Communist Party

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, March 15.—The Mexican Communist Party is quickly overcoming a crisis which reached its climax when Hernan Laborde and Valentin Campa were relieved from their positions as the Party's leading secretaries earlier last week.

Not only does the pre-convention discussion in all the units sections and districts of the Party show an excellent understanding of the present situation but already a new leadership is emerging which enthusiastically is taking the place of those men who refused to adapt themselves to the new situation and carry out the will of the Party.

Earlier this week, Dionisio Encina, a young foundry worker, arrived here from the State of Coahuila to provisionally become the General Secretary of the Mexican Communist Party. His job is to supply leadership until the Extraordinary Party Congress at its last session on March 21 will be able to elect a new National Committee.

LED FARM STRIKE

Though young (Encina is only 33 years old), his activities have gained him the confidence of many thousands of workers and peasants throughout the country who know him or who have heard him.

Already in 1936 he helped make Mexican history as the leader of the strike of the farm workers of the great estates of La Laguna region. As the result of this strike, fought tenaciously by almost 100,000 of the most terribly exploited Indians under the leadership of Encina as President of the Strike Committee, the large semi-feudal landowners were expropriated by President Cardenas and large scale collective farms, the pride of Mexican agrarian reform, were developed.

This struggle fought by the feudal landowners with all means at their disposal, including arms, made Dionisio Encina the most beloved man throughout the northern part of the country.

It was only natural that he should become the State Secretary of the

Communist Party of Coahuila, a position he still holds.

Even the split in the C. T. M. (Confederation of Mexican Workers), caused by the sectarian policy of the Party in 1937, yielded no bad results in Coahuila, where Encina still today is Secretary of Labor.

Brazil Police Arrest French Sailors on Coast

BELEM (Para), Brazil, March 15 (UP).

Police held eight French sailors today pending investigation of their presence in a rowboat inside Brazilian territorial waters where they were apprehended by the crew of a Brazilian fishing boat. The Frenchmen allegedly belonged to the 3,100-ton French freighter Estebel, reported to be anchored about 11 miles from Belem, and one of them, said to be the captain, was in possession of plans and maps of the coastline. In the rowboat were found two barrels of water, eight rifles and 80 rounds of ammunition. The Frenchmen told their captors that they were searching for another rowboat that had been lost.

Mexico Starts Talks to Buy U. S. Railroad

MEXICO CITY, March 15 (UP).

The Federal Department of Communications was authorized by President Lazaro Cardenas today to begin negotiations with the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company for the purchase by the Mexican government of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad. The 305-mile line, connecting the Rio Grande with Chihuahua, Mianaca, Sanchez and Topolobampo, on the Gulf of California, is controlled by the A. T. & S. F.

The government plans eventually to extend the line to connect Topolobampo with Ciudad Juarez, across the Rio Grande from El Paso, Tex. The communications department was authorized to pay not more than \$50,000 pesos (\$2,950) for the rolling stock, equipment, franchises, shares of stock and mortgages.

Conflicts in the C. T. M. State Federation.

As the Secretary of the Committee for Proletarian Defense in his home state, the young working class leader always took leading positions in textile and metal workers' strikes against their foreign imperialist exploiters.

Young, handsome, standing six feet tall, quite an unusual height for Mexicans, Dionisio does not like to speak of his accomplishments. To interview him is a difficult job for any reporter.

With an engaging smile he told the Daily Worker that past accomplishments did not matter much but that the important task is to bring the Party through its present crisis quickly so that it may again assume the tasks for which it was created—to fight for a better Mexico, for her economic and political independence and for a continued improvement of the situation of the Mexican workers and peasants.

"I consider the situation very grave," he said, "and I am afraid the Party wasn't always capable to play its important role. Now, however, and not only because of the changes in leadership but mainly because of the rectification of its political line, I am fully confident that within a very short time the Party again will be in a position to take the lead in the struggles that face the people of my country."

Speaking of the Presidential elections, the Communist leader declared that in his opinion "revolutionary groups and particularly the peasants throughout the country have not been sufficiently made aware of the reactionary danger."

"Armed rebellion headed by Almazan and supported by foreign imperialist interests is a real threat today," he said. "In Coahuila alone we have seen plenty of evidence of preparations for an armed uprising."

"Not only do reactionary groups meet more frequently but training with arms is being extended to their followers, and arms are being smuggled across the U. S. border daily," a business that is tolerated and even supported by the military authorities of the state," Dionisio Encina declared.

President Worried About 'Little Finland' --- How About 'Little Porto Rico'?

Editor, Daily Worker:

New York City.

In yesterday's newspapers we read President Roosevelt's statement about the Soviet-Finnish peace. As the late President Wilson said during the days of the past World War, the American government stands for "the inherent right of small nations to the maintenance of their integrity against attack by superior force."

Those who lived in those days remember that the words of President Wilson were only applied to Germany, for everybody knows in this country that while the Yanks were fighting "over there" for Peace and Democracy, American marines landed in Haiti, Santo Domingo and Mexico without being at war with any of these countries. And it was in the Wilsonian days that the American Government, "for strategic reasons," augmented its territorial possessions "inviting" Denmark to sign an agreement "ceding" the Danish West Indies to the United States. The "friendly" agreement was signed after Uncle Sam's marines had already landed in the islands.

But there is still a more important case—the Puerto Rican case. During more than 40 years the Americans have been ruling on this Caribbean island. As you know, Puerto Rico is a nation, with all the characteristics that form a nation. After nearly a half century of "Americanizing" the Puerto Ricans are

still Puerto Ricans. There are four or five American sugar corporations that have the political and economic control of the islands. The Puerto Ricans are only peons. Their social and cultural conditions are still worse than during the Spanish domination. As the governors of the island have stated many times—all governors have sent reports every year—more than half the entire population is unemployed, and about two-thirds of the population is starving. All this information appears often in the Puerto Rican and American press.

And let us get to the point. When you read in the papers how much the President is worried about the "little Finland," we, the people of Puerto Rico, think of our "little island," so near the borders of the continental United States . . . but how far from the thoughts of the American Government and of the American Congressmen who forget to take care of their house to interfere in so far-away-houses. . .

A group of Puerto Rican American citizens:
SANTIAGO, RODRIGUEZ, QUINONES, ROSARIO, OROPESA, GONZALEZ, OTRERA, MARCANO.

Members of 'Adopted' CP Branch Put Shoulders to the Wheel

Omaha, Nebraska.

Editor, Daily Worker:

To express the enthusiastic response of the comrades in this part of the country for our adoption by the Sunnyside Branch whose letter appeared in the Sunday Worker, Feb. 25th, would be many pages of writing.

Now to get out more educational pamphlets and leaflets will really help build the Party in Council Bluffs, the town noted at one time as a railroad center and now empty car shops, only round-houses for trains going into Omaha, a few factories and several thousand workers going daily to Omaha for work; population 32,000.

The seven comrades are former railroad worker who were cut off many years ago from regular runs. This group has been holding many group discussions among the unem-

ployed workers of their neighborhood and plans for branching out to form an unemployed organization. With the mimeograph they'll be able to get out leaflets and do more extensive work.

One comrade comes to Omaha weekly to get a week's supply of Sunday and Daily Workers from the bookshop. Around this they have formed a weekly discussion group to discuss the events of the world. Also the latest pamphlets are passed around for study. They take extra copies of all pamphlets for sale to their friends.

They have pledged to send copies of all leaflets to the Sunnyside branch and report progress in building the branch in Iowa; to build the Daily Worker circulation and sale of many more pamphlets in Council Bluffs.

SECRETARY.

CHANGE THE WORLD



When Demagogues Take
Place of Facts and Logic
In Both Warring Camps

By MIKE GOLD

I AM glad I am such a stern neutral in this war who only wants the international working class to win it with a big bang. So I don't have to take Hitler seriously when he claims he is fighting for proletarian justice or Chamberlain and Daladier when they assert their hearts plead for free speech, small nations and other victims of ruthless imperialism.

Such leaders don't have to pretend to logic, reason or facts in making their argument. They just roll off the familiar bunkum phrases that so well served Barnum and the demagogues of the last World War for "democracy." Try to query them while they are making their beautiful phrases about free speech, for example, and they will club you and sling you in jail. Logic them no logic; all they demand of the hot-potato are the same three commands laid on the long-suffering Italian people by Mussolini, "Believe! Obey! Fight!"

It is the "liberals" and "Socialists" who have the more difficult role. Since their historic task in capitalist war is to serve as the bell-wethers who, lead the bewildered peoples into the great slaughterhouse, and since they are too inferior to command, but can only persuade, they must maintain some structure of principle and logic.

A search for independent truth gave them prestige in peace time; they had always boasted of being the conscience of the democracies. It is this prestige that makes them so useful in war time to the greedy hogs and murderous gorillas of capitalism who hitherto despised them. But how to deliver?

I don't envy them their job in the present war. There are too many glaring contradictions to be smothered in a fog of Fabian verbiage. For example, here is a little nut for these chipmunks to crack; and it is only one out of a great store. It is a matter of record that the "democracies" have eagerly helped the fascist General Franco since Hitler and Mussolini delivered the people of Spain into his bloody hands.

The United States has given Franco millions of dollars worth of grain. England has supplied him with large sums of gold. France has turned over to Franco every store of arms and wealth the Loyalists deposited with the French republic so naively; and in brutal concentration camps of French democracy thousands of Spanish democrats are abused and punished like enemies.

Yet only last week the American press reported very calmly that this same General Franco was now sending shipments of food to Hitler, in repayment for Nazi help in crushing the Spanish people.

Some of the very grain that was shipped from democratic America or that was bought with British gold is undoubtedly on its way to Hitler. On the one hand, Britain and America are attempting to establish a food-blockade against Germany; and on the other hand, they permit their own food to be used in breaking that blockade.

Then there is the choice spectacle of Mussolini sending "volunteers" to fight for "democracy" in Finland. Most of these are veterans of the Ethiopian and Spanish campaigns; within the past five years they have helped make two small nations safe for fascism.

What makes this Finnish "democracy" so different that both fascist Mussolini and fascist Franco, the murderers of Spanish democracy, suddenly want to defend it? Is it because Mannerheim democracy resembles Mussolini fascism?

And why are the voluble "liberal" and "Socialist" war-mongers in America so resoundingly silent about Baron Mannerheim, for example? After all, he is the great man of little Finland, the leader of her armies? Why is this "hero" of democracy not celebrated and hymned in our "liberal" press? It is because his record of a life-time of service to autocracy smells too much of the blood of martyred workers and peasants? He served the bloody Czar; he served the German Kaiser; he slaughtered his own Finnish people in great mountains of corpses to preserve the investments of British and German imperialism; and for the past decade Mannerheim has been nothing but the puppet general of British finance. Riddle us this, General Norman Thomas!

One can understand that a Herbert Hoover has no objections to the Mannerheim variety of "democracy." Mr. Hoover is not departing from his own life-long devotion to capitalist plutocracy when he intrigues America into a war to preserve British finance and Mannerheim democracy. A Hoover does not need to discuss a Mannerheim. They are obviously birds of a feather. But the duty still is laid on "liberals" and Socialists to explain their strange and new-found "democratic" leader, Butcher Mannerheim.

Their silence on this, as so many other contradictions, is a demonstration of the collapse of their "independent" and "disinterested" attitudes of yesterday. Another year of such evasions during a war-period, and they will have completely forgotten what truth and democracy are like. A similar degeneration went on during the last war; but don't think it was something to gloat over. That last war bankrupted the democratic movement in America for some ten years; but it may not happen again, since the democratic forces are a hundred-fold stronger now than then, and the bell-wethers more obvious.

Toscanini Returns to Lead NBC Orchestra on WJZ

Arturo Toscanini returns to conduct NBC Symphony Orchestra on WJZ at 10 P.M.

- AFTERNOON**
- 1:45-WJZ-Condensed News
 - 1:50-WJZ-Musical Prizes Alarms
 - 1:55-WJZ-Musical Comedy Memories
 - 1:58-WJZ-Calling All Stamp Collectors
 - 2:00-WJZ-Children's Concert
 - 2:05-WJZ-Lunching at the Waldorf with the Czar
 - 2:10-WJZ-Time to Take It Easy
 - 2:15-WJZ-University Life, Columbia University Debating Council
 - 2:20-WJZ-Dance Music
 - 2:25-WJZ-Musical Meeting of the Foreign Policy Association
 - 2:30-WJZ-Charles Gounod's "Faust," Final Opera of Winter Season from the Metropolitan Opera House
 - 2:35-WJZ-Opera Hour
 - 2:40-WJZ-U. P. News
 - 2:45-WJZ-News
 - 2:50-WJZ-Intercollegiate Debate
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"Give Us A Battlefield" ...!

• With the conclusion of the Soviet-Finnish peace, the ugly face of those who want war to spread grows clearer with every passing hour.

For example, the Paris press is reported by the Associated Press yesterday as screaming "find a battlefield and make war."

There is in London and Paris a real fear that the peace in Finland may spread, that it is "catching."

"Find a battlefield and make war"—could the bloodthirsty madness of the imperialist cliques be more clearly expressed? Let hell break loose! Let the peoples be slaughtered, while the stock brokers and munition-makers reap fabulous profits. Such is the mad vision and wild plan of those who tried to start a world war in Finland and failed—thanks to the Soviet Union.

This cry for a "battlefield" explains why and how Mannerheim acted as a puppet of London, Paris and Wall Street.

It also explains the desperate efforts, continued up to the last minute before peace, to drag or shove Sweden and Norway into the war as a "battlefield" for the Allied armies.

They wanted Sweden and Norway to be a "battlefield." Having failed, will they now try to turn the Balkans and Turkey into a battlefield for their imperialist butcheries, their aggressions against the peaceful Soviet Union?

This is the confession of their desire for aggression, for ever-spreading war.

Suppose some small nation stands in their way? Suppose some of the small nations, as Scandinavia or the Balkans, want to remain at peace and live as independent nations? Overrun them! Crush them! Bully and threaten them! Get them into war, turn them into battlefields! "The Allies can no longer hesitate to tear up certain diplomatic fictions" concerning the independent sovereignty of small nations, cries the Paris "Le Temps." This contempt for small nations is the real program of the imperialist savours of the "small nations" in London, Paris and Wall Street.

It is obvious that the imperialists refuse to heed the will of the peoples for peace. The fight for peace must rise higher. The imperialist war must be ended. The people have nothing whatever to gain from it. The policy of the Roosevelt Administration does not echo the peace desires of the American people. Public opinion here should repeat again and again—Keep America Out. The Yanks Are Not Coming. The imperialist war must stop.

What About the Bill of Rights in New York City?

• Mayor LaGuardia is trying to bring back the police-club "civil liberties" suffered under Grover Whalen, Mayor O'Brien and Tammany's James Walker.

Thirteen men and women were yesterday brutally manhandled and arrested by the police—one woman was dragged along the street by a dozen officers—because they lawfully picketed the French consulate. These people were expressing the deep hu-

manitarian and progressive sentiments of all Americans against Daladier's bestial forcing of 100,000 anti-fascist Spaniards back to Franco's firing squads and torture chambers.

Meanwhile, more than a dozen members of the Workers Alliance are languishing in jail because they picketed for their direct needs. The protest of the Alliance has been endorsed by no less than five unions who have also had their picket lines dispersed by the police in the last few days.

These outrageous violations of constitutional liberties grow out of Mayor LaGuardia's order to break up picket lines during the European war. The police are turned loose on citizens who exercise their constitutional rights to picket for peace and for bread. It is a hunger and war policy patterned after President Roosevelt's and it is in line with the Mayor's plan to divert relief funds, his anti-labor attacks against the Transport Workers Union preceding unification, his undermining the five-cent fare, his general-hopping to the tunes of the bankers and bondholders.

The people of this city do not intend to permit the Mayor's unity with the Republican and Tammany reactionaries to black-out their civil liberties. That "war emergency" gag doesn't fool anyone. Labor and the people will deign City Hall with protests in protection of the Bill of Rights in New York City.

The Department of Justice On the Spot

• The bad smell which has surrounded the government's case against the leaders of the Fur Workers Union, has been intensified with the sensational statement by one government witness that he had given false testimony after being coached by a Department of Justice representative, and with the dramatic refusal of the government's star witness to testify at all.

The sudden withdrawal of charges against four of the defendants after they have been under indictment for six and a half years and have sat in the courtroom for several weeks, likewise shows up the emptiness of the charges still leveled against the rest of the union leaders.

An investigation of the FBI, the demand for which is constantly growing, should also probe into the methods used by the Department of Justice to procure and coach witnesses against the labor leaders.

It's TWO-THIRDS of a Nation

• Just as President Roosevelt has abandoned the fight for the "one-third of a nation," of which he used to speak so much, a government survey reveals that it is not one-third, but rather two-thirds which is ill-housed, ill-fed and ill-clad.

This survey reveals that 66 per cent of the families in the United States have incomes of less than \$1,500 a year and that their average income is actually only \$826 a year. Since, according to economists, a decent living standard for a family of four costs at least \$1,200 a year, it can be definitely stated that in the richest country in the world, a majority of the people have sub-standard incomes.

The secret of this widespread poverty is to be found in another item in the survey: the disclosure that richest one per cent of the population has as much income as the 40 per cent of the population in the lowest brackets.

It is this siphoning of the national income into the pockets of a few, which spells hunger for the many, and decrees unemployment and crises. But the Roosevelt Administration which reveals these figures, has abandoned all pretense at remedying them. Basing itself now on a program of war and war orders to keep big business going, it is cutting down on social expenditures and reducing the slim purchasing power of two-thirds of a nation still further.

Letters From Our Readers

Suggests Pamphlet On Movies

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I agree with the analysis of David Platt's series of fine articles on Negroes and their role in the film industry. His recommendations in bringing them forward is also coupled with the campaign to extend democracy as a whole. Can anyone dispute that "Gone With the Wind" distorts history in favor of reaction—attacks national minorities, later it will be Catholics, Jews, Irish, etc., promotes war hysteria and is an obstacle for the trade unions who seek to organize in the South (agriculture, factory, steel, oil).

May I recommend that all progressive pictures be listed so that the public can benefit. Such pictures like "Abe Lincoln in Illinois," "Harvest," "The Fight for Life," "Grapes of Wrath," etc.

A well-illustrated pamphlet circulated amongst the trade unions, parent-teacher groups, civic organizations, churches, etc., would be a decisive force in the fight for peace and democracy.

S. K.

College Students Determined to Resist War-Making Attack on Campus

Ann Arbor, Mich.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The City of Ann Arbor, site of the University of Michigan, has the finest library facilities in the Midwest. There, for all who are interested to see, are the records and documents that would make the present world and national situations intelligible and comprehensible. Unfortunately, however, for most of our instructors, a fact is a fact only if it appears in William Randolph Hearst's Detroit Times. Such an anti-intellectual and unscholarly attitude at first glance appears beyond understanding. I blush to think what students in the Soviet Union must think about such scholarship. It becomes quite clear, however, when it is placed in the total picture of a concerted attempt to engage our sympathies and our lives in a war against the first workers and peasants' state, the Soviet Union. The administrators of our universities have always considered themselves to be employees of the bourgeoisie; their main concern has historically been to preserve and to propagandize the status quo. With the whole bourgeoisie united in its mad attempt to make war on the Soviet Union, then, it is only natural to find our campuses being turned over lock, stock and barrel to the war machine.

There are two very significant forces which stand in the way of this plan. First is the determination of college students, together with the overwhelming majority of the American people, to resist and to fight every effort directed toward war against our brothers in the land of socialism, the trustees and builders of the future of all mankind. Second is the regular appearance of truth and honesty and tact in the columns of the Daily Worker.

M. C.

Croatian Workers Set Example with Contribution to Browder Defense Fund

Farrell, Pa.

Editor, Daily Worker:

"Defense Committee for Civil Rights for Communists," Pittsburgh.

The workers of Radnicki, 125 to Browder's war; we are

"PLASNIK," the sum of party general-union workers and at the office Rights for Com-

In this generous donation, and warm greetings to Comrade Browder, the Committee wishes to express its gratitude by stating that the Croatian workers and comrades of Farrell have set an example to their fellow workers in Western Pennsylvania that we hope will enable and aid the Committee to rapidly reach the goal in the gigantic task of building a joint Bail and Defense Fund of (\$16,000) sixteen thousand dollars, with which to protect Browder and his comrades in Western Pennsylvania against the onslaughts and persecutions of the imperialist war-mongers.

E. P. CUSH, Secretary-Treasurer.
Defense Committee for Civil Rights for Communists.

Texas High School Students Think Daily Worker 'Swell'

Texas.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I am sixteen years old and a senior in High School and I could not afford to subscribe to your paper. Some friend paid for my subscription for this past year and now this subscription has expired. Although with all my heart I wish that I could, I find myself in a position that makes it financially impossible for me to do this.

Each day I have taken your paper to school and we have discussed it thoroughly in my Current Events class. All the kids think that it is swell and I think that I have made your paper many friends. I'm sure that all the kids will be awfully disappointed not to get to read your paper any more, but it is impossible to renew this subscription.

Thank you very much for the Daily Worker and thanks to the person who paid for it—although, I can see that we will have no more connections with each other because of this difficulty, you can always be assured of my full support. Thanks again for opening my eyes to see the truth about America.

S.

Where 25 Met Death in Train Truck Crash



Dead and dying are scattered along rail tracks near McAllen, Texas after crash of train and truck carrying Mexican fruit-pickers at grade crossing. A priest moves among the dead and dying administering last rites to some of the twenty-five fruit pickers who were riding in a truck when it was struck by a train, in the worst accident of its kind in Texas history. Women and children were among the dead. Seventeen others were injured. One of the dying (left) holds his face while others manage to raise their heads. They were in search of a job at the time of the accident. [Photophoto]

Dionisio Encina, Foundry Worker, Leader of Mexican Communist Party

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, March 15.—The Mexican Communist Party is quickly overcoming a crisis which reached its climax when Hernan Laborde and Valentin Campa were relieved from their positions as the Party's leading secretaries earlier last week.

Not only does the pre-convention discussion in all the units sections and districts of the Party show an excellent understanding of the present situation but already a new leadership is emerging which enthusiastically is taking the place of those men who refused to adapt themselves to the new situation and carry out the will of the Party.

Earlier this week, Dionisio Encina, a young foundry worker, arrived here from the State of Coahuila to provisionally become the General Secretary of the Mexican Communist Party. His job is to supply leadership until the Extraordinary Party Congress at its last session on March 21 will be able to elect a new National Committee.

LED FARM STRIKE

Though young (Encina is only 33 years old), his activities have gained him the confidence of many thousands of workers and peasants throughout the country who know him or who have heard him.

Already in 1936 he helped make Mexican history as the leader of the strike of the farm workers of the great estates of La Laguna region. As the result of this strike, fought tenaciously by almost 100,000 of the most terribly exploited Indians under the leadership of Encina as President of the Strike Committee, the large semi-feudal landowners were expropriated by President Cardenas and large scale collective farms, the pride of Mexican agrarian reform, were developed.

This struggle fought by the feudal landowners with all means at their disposal, including arms, made Dionisio Encina the most beloved man throughout the northern part of the country.

It was only natural that he should become the State Secretary of the

Communist Party of Coahuila, a position he still holds.

Even the split in the C. T. M. (Confederation of Mexican Workers), caused by the sectarian policy of the Party in 1937, yielded no bad results in Coahuila, where Encina still today is Secretary of Labor.

Brazil Police Arrest French Sailors on Coast

BELEM (Para), Brazil, March 15 (UP).—Police held eight French sailors today pending investigation of their presence in a rowboat inside Brazilian territorial waters where they were apprehended by the crew of a Brazilian fishing boat.

The Frenchmen allegedly belonged to the 3,100-ton French freighter Estebel, reported to be anchored about 11 miles from Belem, and one of them, said to be the captain, was in possession of plans and maps of the coastline. In the rowboat were found two barrels of water, eight rifles and 80 rounds of ammunition. The Frenchmen told their captors that they were searching for another rowboat that had been lost.

Mexico Starts Talks to Buy U. S. Railroad

MEXICO CITY, March 15 (UP).—The Federal Department of Communications was authorized by President Lázaro Cárdenas today to begin negotiations with the Atchafalaya, Topoka & Santa Fe Railway Company for the purchase by the Mexican government of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railroad.

The 305-mile line, connecting the Rio Grande with Chihuahua, Mianaca, Sanchez and Topolobampo, on the Gulf of California, is controlled by the A. T. & S. F.

The government plans eventually to extend the line to connect Topolobampo with Ciudad Juarez, across the Rio Grande from El Paso, Tex. The communications department was authorized to pay not more than 550,000 pesos (\$92,950) for the rolling stock, equipment, franchises, shares of stock and mortgages.

Conflicts in the C. T. M. State Federation.

As the Secretary of the Committee for Proletarian Defense in his home state, the young working class leader always took leading positions in textile and metal workers' strikes against their foreign imperialist exploiters.

Young, handsome, standing six feet tall, quite an unusual height for Mexicans, Dionisio does not like to speak of his accomplishments. To interview him is a difficult job for any reporter.

With an engaging smile he told the Daily Worker that past accomplishments did not matter much but that the important task is to bring the Party through its present crisis quickly so that it may again assume the tasks for which it was created—to fight for a better Mexico, for her economic and political independence and for a continued improvement of the situation of the Mexican workers and peasants.

"I consider the situation very grave," he said, "and I am afraid the Party wasn't always capable to play its important role. Now, however, and not only because of the changes in leadership but mainly because of the rectification of its political line, I am fully confident that within a very short time the Party again will be in a position to take the lead in the struggles that face the people of my country."

Speaking of the Presidential elections, the Communist leader declared that in his opinion "revolutionary groups and particularly the peasants throughout the country have not been sufficiently made aware of the reactionary danger."

"Armed rebellion headed by Almazan and supported by foreign imperialist interests is a real threat today," he said. "In Coahuila alone we have seen plenty of evidence of preparations for an armed uprising."

"Not only do reactionary groups meet more frequently but training with arms is being extended to their followers, and arms are being smuggled across the U. S. border daily," a business that is tolerated and even supported by the military authorities of the state," Dionisio Encina declared.

President Worried About 'Little Finland' --- How About 'Little Porto Rico'?

Editor, Daily Worker:

New York City.

In yesterday's newspapers we read President Roosevelt's statement about the Soviet-Finnish peace. As the late President Wilson said during the days of the past World War, the American government stands for "the inherent right of small nations to the maintenance of their integrity against attack by superior force."

Those who lived in those days remember that the words of President Wilson were only applied to Germany, for everybody knows in this country that while the Yanks were fighting "over there" for Peace and Democracy, American marines landed in Haiti, Santo Domingo and Mexico without being at war with any of these countries. And it was in the Wilsonian days that the American Government, "for strategic reasons," augmented its territorial possessions "inviting" Denmark to sign an agreement "ceding" the Danish West Indies to the United States. The "friendly" agreement was signed after Uncle Sam's marines had already landed in the Islands.

But there is still a more important case—the Puerto Rican case. During more than 40 years the Americans have been ruling on this Caribbean island. As you know, Puerto Rico is a nation, with all the characteristics that form a nation. After nearly a half century of "Americanizing," the Puerto Ricans are

still Puerto Ricans. There are four or five American sugar corporations that have the political and economic control of the Islands. The Puerto Ricans are only peons. Their social and cultural conditions are still worse than during the Spanish domination. As the governors of the Island have stated many times—all governors have sent reports every year—more than half the entire population is unemployed, and about two-thirds of the population is starving. All this information appears often in the Puerto Rican and American press.

And let us get to the point. When you read in the papers how much the President is worried about the "little Finland," we, the people of Puerto Rico, think of our "little island," so near the borders of the continental United States, but how far from the thoughts of the American Government and of the American Congressmen who forget to take care of their house to interfere in so far-away-houses. . . .

A group of Puerto Rican American citizens:

SANTIAGO,
RODRIGUEZ,
QUINONES,
ROSARIO,
CROFESA,
GONZALEZ,
GUTIERA,
MARCANO.

Members of 'Adopted' CP Branch Put Shoulders to the Wheel

Editor, Daily Worker:

Omaha, Nebraska.

To express the enthusiastic response of the comrades in this part of the country for our adoption by the Sunnyside Branch whose letter appeared in the Sunday Worker, Feb. 25th, would be many pages of writing.

Now to get out more educational pamphlets and leaflets will really help build the Party in Council Bluffs, the town noted at one time as a railroad center and now empty car shops, only round-houses for trains going into Omaha, a few factories and several thousand workers going daily to Omaha for work; population 32,000.

The seven comrades are former railroad worker who were cut off many years ago from regular runs. This group has been holding many group discussions among the unem-

ployed workers of their neighborhood and plans for branching out to form an unemployed organization. With the mimeograph they'll be able to get out leaflets and do more extensive work.

One comrade comes to Omaha weekly to get a week's supply of Sunday and Daily Workers from the bookshop. Around this they have formed a weekly discussion group to discuss the events of the world. Also the latest pamphlets are passed around for study. They take extra copies of all pamphlets for sale to their friends.

They have pledged to send copies of all leaflets to the Sunnyside branch and report progress in building the branch in Iowa; to build the Daily Worker circulation and sale of many more pamphlets in Council Bluffs.

SECRETARY.

CHANGE THE WORLD



When Demagogy Takes
Place of Facts and Logic
In Both Warring Camps

By MIKE GOLD

I AM glad I am such a stern neutral in this war who only wants the international working class to win it with a big bang. So I don't have to take Hitler seriously when he claims he is fighting for proletarian justice or Chamberlain and Daladier when they assert their hearts plead for free speech, small nations and other victims of ruthless imperialism.

Such leaders don't have to pretend to logic, reason or facts in making their argument. They just roll off the familiar bunkum phrases that so well served Barnum and the demagogues of the last World War for "democracy." Try to query them while they are making their beautiful phrases about free speech, for example, and they will club you and sling you in jail. Logic them no logic; all they demand of the hol-poli are the same three commands laid on the long-suffering Italian people by Mussolini, "Believe! Obey! Fight!"

It is the "liberals" and "Socialists" who have the more difficult role. Since their historic task in capitalist war is to serve as the bellwethers who lead the bewildered peoples into the great slaughterhouse, and since they are too inferior to command, but can only persuade, they must maintain some structure of principle and logic.

A search for independent truth gave them prestige in peace time; they had always boasted of being the conscience of the democracies. It is this prestige that makes them so useful in war time to the greedy hogs and murderous gorillas of capitalism who hitherto despised them. But how to deliver?

I don't envy them their job in the present war. There are too many glaring contradictions to be smothered in a fog of Fabian verbiage.

For example, here is a little nut for these chipmunks to crack; and it is only one out of a great store. It is a matter of record that the "democracies" have eagerly helped the fascist General Franco since Hitler and Mussolini delivered the people of Spain into his bloody hands.

The United States has given Franco millions of dollars worth of grain. England has supplied him with large sums of gold. France has turned over to Franco every store of arms and wealth the Loyalists deposited with the French republic so naively; and in brutal concentration camps of French democracy thousands of Spanish democrats are abused and punished like enemies.

Yet only last week the American press reported very calmly that this same General Franco was now sending shipments of food to Hitler, in repayment for Nazi help in crushing the Spanish people.

Some of the very grain that was shipped from democratic America or that was bought with British gold is undoubtedly on its way to Hitler. On the one hand, Britain and America are attempting to establish a food-blockade against Germany; and on the other hand, they permit their own food to be used in breaking that blockade.

Then there is the choice spectacle of Mussolini sending "volunteers" to fight for "democracy" in Finland. Most of these are veterans of the Ethiopian and Spanish campaigns; within the past five years they have helped make two small nations safe for fascism.

What makes this Finnish "democracy" so different that both fascist Mussolini and fascist France, the murderers of Spanish democracy, suddenly want to defend it? Is it because Mannerheim democracy resembles Mussolini fascism?

And why are the voluble "liberal" and "Socialist" war-mongers in America so resoundingly silent about Baron Mannerheim, for example? After all, he is the great man of "little Finland," the leader of her armies? Why is this "hero" of democracy not celebrated and hymned in our "liberal" press? It is because his record of a life-time of service to autocracy smells too much of the blood of martyred workers and peasants. He served the bloody Czar; he served the German Kaiser; he slaughtered his own Finnish people in great mountains of corpses to preserve the investments of British and German imperialism; and for the past decade Mannerheim has been nothing but the puppet general of British finance. Riddle us this, General Norman Thomas!

One can understand that a Hoover-Hoover has no objections to the Mannerheim variety of "democracy." Mr. Hoover is not departing from his own life-long devotion to capitalist plutocracy when he intrigues America into a war to preserve British finance and Mannerheim democracy. A Hoover does not need to discuss a Mannerheim. They are obviously birds of a feather. But the duty still is laid on "liberals" and Socialists to explain their strange and new-found "democratic" leader, Butcher Mannerheim.

Their silence on this, as so many other contradictions, is a demonstration of the collapse of their "independent" and "disinterested" attitudes of yesterday. Another year of such evasions during a war-period, and they will have completely forgotten what truth and democracy are like. A similar degeneration went on during the last war; but don't think it was something to gloat over. That last war bankrupted the democratic movement in America for some ten years; but it may not happen again, since the democratic forces are a hundred-fold stronger now than then, and the bell-wethers more obvious.

Toscanini Returns to Lead NBC Orchestra on WJZ

Arturo Toscanini returns to conduct NBC Symphony Orchestra on WJZ at 10 P.M.

- AFTERNOON**
- 12:45-WFAP-Condensed News
 - 1:00-WNYC-Musical Comedy: Alarms
 - 1:15-WNYC-Musical Comedy: Memories
 - 1:30-WFAP-Calling All Stamp Collectors
 - 1:30-WNYC-Children's Concert
 - 1:45-WJZ-Lunching at the Waldorf with Miss Chase
 - 2:00-WNYC-University Life, Columbia University Debating Council
 - 2:15-WFAP-Dance Music
 - 2:30-WJZ-Monthly Meeting of the Foreign Policy Association
 - 2:45-WJZ-Charles Gounod's "Faust," Final Opera of Winter Season from the Metropolitan Opera House
 - 2:50-WNYC-News
 - 3:00-WNYC-Opera Hour
 - 3:15-WNYC-U. P. News
 - 3:30-WNYC-News
 - 3:45-WNYC-News
 - 3:50-WNYC-Dodgers vs. Detroit Tigers
 - 4:00-WNYC-Intercollegiate Debate
 - 4:15-WNYC-News
 - 4:30-WNYC-News
 - 4:45-WNYC-Student Forum on Discussion of Foreign Policy Assn.
 - 4:50-WNYC-Juilliard Institute of Musical Art Alumni Recital
 - 5:00-WNYC-Campus Capers
 - 5:15-WNYC-Bull Session, Unheard Discussion by College Students
 - 5:30-WNYC-Combined Glee Clubs of Williams and Finch Jr. Colleges
 - 5:45-WNYC-Music of the Moment
 - 5:50-WNYC-Buffalo Presents
 - 6:00-WNYC-Music to Remember
 - 6:15-WNYC-Hour of Symphonic Music
 - 6:30-WNYC-Pairs of the Police Athletic League
 - 6:45-WNYC-Tommy Dorsey's Band
 - 6:50-WNYC-Dance Music
 - 7:00-WNYC-The Human Adventure
 - 7:15-WNYC-Police Dept. Musical Program
 - 7:30-WNYC-Radio Playhouse
 - 7:45-WNYC-Young People's Program in Cooperation with New York Public Library
 - 8:00-WNYC-Municipal Concert
 - 8:15-WNYC-Municipal Concert
 - 8:30-WNYC-U. P. News
 - 8:45-WNYC-Charities, Negro Male
- EVENING**
- 8:00-WFAP-Kaltenberger's Kindergarten
 - 8:15-WFAP-Kids Den WJZ-U. P. News
 - 8:30-WFAP-Early Evening News
 - 8:45-WFAP-Music to Remember
 - 9:00-WFAP-News from Washington
 - 9:15-WFAP-Mel Allen's Sport Talk
 - 9:30-WFAP-News
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Why USSR Inspires Canterbury Dean

By Rev. Hewlett Johnson
(Dean of Canterbury Cathedral)

The spread of education, the new leisure, the new zest for life, and the new security show themselves in a rising level of national culture in the Soviet Union. A seven hours' working day—the shortest working day in any industrial country—send the worker home at an early hour and with a reserve of energy for other occupations. A lengthening annual holiday with pay lays up a store of strength and, through the opportunity it affords for travel, leads often to a wider outlook upon life. Insurance against sickness, infirmity, and old age removes the strain from brain and nerves, whilst the ban upon exploitation and the decreased incentive towards, and opportunity for the development of the acquisitive instinct set men and women free for higher pursuits.

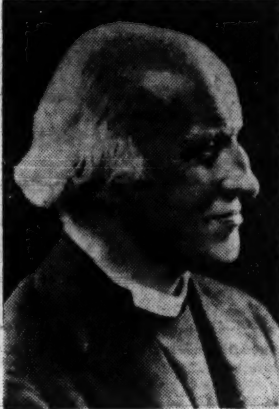
One immediate result has been a new passion for reading. This is met by periodical literature and book publications.

Immense Progress In the Press

Immense progress has been made in the press, both in quantity and quality. The Tass news agency in 1933 possessed 859 newspapers with a circulation approaching three million copies.

No less remarkable has been the progress in book production and book circulation. At the end of the First Five Year Plan book production in the U.S.S.R. was greater than that of England, Germany, and Japan taken together.

So great is the quest for new books that one book shop in Moscow sold 1,000 copies of a new edition of Leo Tolstoy's "Resurrection" in a single day; 600 copies of Pushkin's works issued in a



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single volume were sold in under three hours. Tass Russia, in its peak year, 1932, published 133.6 million copies of books; the USSR in 1937 published 571 million copies. In 1938 the issue was 700 millions.

During the twenty years from 1917 to 1937 Gorky's works have appeared in thirty-two million copies; Pushkin nineteen million; Tolstoy, fourteen million; Chekhov over eleven million; Turgenev nearly eight million; and Gogol six million.

Societs Foster National Literature

Naturally, political writers and books reach astronomical figures. Eight thousand classical works of Lenin-Marxism have reached a total of 350 million copies in the past twenty years. Half of these 8,000 titles were in the national languages of the USSR.

The growth of literature among the national minorities is simply amazing when one compares it with the rigorous repression of all minority self-expression under the Tsarist regime. The Moscow International Book House, one house out of many, publishes books in 85 languages, text-books, novels, fairy tales, technical works, or translations of the classics. Nine million volumes were published in the Ukraine. Tolstoy's work is in great demand among the national minorities as well as in Russia proper; 61,000 copies have been published in the last year in the small republic of Armenia.

The abstruse works of Professor Einstein have scanty sale in most lands. Germany banishes the man. The sale of Einstein's books in England would, I imagine, be reckoned more readily in hundreds than in thousands. Yet in the Soviet Union the circulation has reached 56,000 between the years 1927 and 1936.

The value placed on books in the U.S.S.R. is seen in the way it houses them. The new Lenin Library in Moscow, an immense and stately building not far from the Kremlin, contains shelves which, set end to end, would stretch from London to Cambridge, and though the place is so vast, a book can be delivered to a reader in any part of the building in the briefest time. The State Librarians ransacked the world for the most efficient library methods, and then improved on all by methods of their own.

The New York Public Library moved 500,000 books and took two months to do it. The twelve million volumes of the Lenin Library were transferred in three months



Where the Future Belongs to the Youth

Chapter from New Book, 'The Socialist Sixth' Describes Vast Achievements in Field of Culture — Says USSR Is Creating 'Fully Developed Man' — Views Enrage Tories

without the interruption of a single day of reading.

In literature, as in music or art, the Soviet people look across the frontiers. They are the heirs of the ages. Shakespeare is theirs, Goethe is theirs; Balzac, Moliere, Schiller, all are theirs. In the land of his birth, the 375th anniversary of Shakespeare passed unnoticed. Throughout the Soviet Union his anniversary was recorded in book, journal, and theatre, and his memory honored by hundreds of thousands of peasants and artisans.

Shakespeare is regarded as a component part of the culture of the Soviet people. He comes into his own in a country where culture has become more truly of the people. Thousands of workers' amateur art circles are working on Shakespeare's plays, producing "Hamlet," "Macbeth," or "Romeo and Juliet." The performance of "King Lear" was attended by 200,000 people in Moscow. And the peoples of Kirghizia, Kazakhstan, Bashkiria, and many other national republics besides can see his plays performed and read his books in their own tongue. In the small

republic of Armenia 32,000 copies of Shakespeare have been sold in the past five years.

People Read Foreign Writers

Foreign writers in general are extensively translated and widely read. Upton Sinclair, Maupassant, Victor Hugo, Anatole France, Balzac, Dickens, Darwin, and of the moderns Ernest Hemingway, H. G. Wells, Frank Norris, Lion Feuchtwanger, Heinrich Mann, Gustav Regler, and Arnold Zweig. Writers are not only read but are created. The Soviet people give ample place to courage, but unconsciously, more than "self-expression" quite recent in the drama, two million copies for dramatic art.

Still wider expression is given to the arts and articles to which invites, and

tions and elicits valuable suggestions and ideas for the better conduct of factory life and efficiency; men and women can and do write concerning corrupt and inefficient officials, as well as contributing positive suggestions. The wall newspaper is an outlet for social passion.

The factory newspaper is thus the gateway through which many Soviet writers enter the higher realms of literature. It creates a taste for literature and an understanding of literature. From these humble beginnings literary groups and factory print-shops have been created, and books of verses, plays or written by factory

workers. The Soviet people are not only readers but are creators. The Soviet people give ample place to courage, but unconsciously, more than "self-expression" quite recent in the drama, two million copies for dramatic art. Still wider expression is given to the arts and articles to which invites, and

Shades of Horatio Alger In MGM's 'Young Edison'

YOUNG TOM EDISON. With Mickey Rooney, Fay Bainter, George Bancroft, Virginia Weidler and Eugene Pallette. Directed by Norman Taurog. An MGM film. At Radio City Music Hall.

By Lawrence Emery

"Young Tom Edison" new Radio City film substitutes Hollywood for history, box-office for biography. The shades of Horatio Alger were invoked to inspire the script and it is To Do Or Die from the first frame.

It is the era of the Civil War, and the background is properly dubbed in with all male characters adorned with side whiskers and the ladies wrapped in ruffles.

No one understands this boy Young Tom. He does such odd things. He is, as his impatient father protested, possessed of this "Yankee trait, always fiddling with gadgets." He spends his pocket money for chemicals and books, and with his fiddling he breaks windows, endangers the school house with fire, causes hysterics by carrying a bottle of home-made nitroglycerine aboard a train, and generally creates havoc with his indomitable urge to know why things are.

Because he is "different from other boys," he becomes the butt of all jokes, is expelled from school, and eventually achieves the reputation in Port Huron of being "addled-pated," a belief which his stern and practical father shares with the rest of the village. Only his mother believes in him and understands him, but this is a source of mawkishness for MGM.

It is a matter of record that Thomas Edison gave evidence of his inventiveness in his boyhood; he mastered the Morse code at an early age, he rigged up all sorts of involved machines, and he probably experimented to the distraction of friends and relatives. It is also down in the books that he became one of the nation's first candy-butchers on the old Grand Trunk Railroad, and printed his own newspaper in the baggage room on an old proof press.

"Make It Incredible"

But MGM must have a rule for script-writers: "If it's true, make it unbelievable!" And so a few facts are here woven into a maze of grand and awesome improbabilities, with plenty of Hollywood "dramatics" to supply

humor and sadness and suspense and the other ingredients of a run-of-the-mill movie. The butt of all jokes, the "addled-pated," the good-for-nothing time-wasting gadget-fiddler naturally comes through with good old Algerian pluck and grit and shows them all.

He heroically saves a station telegrapher's child from the path of a speeding freight and is rewarded with enough copper wire to build a basement telegrapher's outfit; with a stolen mirror for a reflector and a battery of oil lamps he creates sufficient light for a surgical operation at night which saves his mother's life; and with pure doggedness he surmounts the villagers' contempt for him and saves a train speeding toward a washed-out bridge by signalling it in Morse code with whistle-blasts from another locomotive on the opposite side of the bank.

He Comes Into His Own

These grand exploits speedily convert him from an object of scorn to the town's idol and propel him rapidly into man's estate. At sixteen years of age, none less than the railroad's superintendent offers him a telegrapher's job, the entire populace is at the station to wave him off, and even his hard-bitten father proclaims loudly in public: "A short while ago he was Sam Edison's son. Now I'm Tom Edison's father—and I like it!"

Fay Bainter as Mother Edison, George Bancroft as the father, and Virginia Weidler as worshipful sister Tinkie are good whenever they are not overwhelmed by Mickey Rooney.

A second chapter in the Edison biography is planned with Spencer Tracy in the lead. MGM has yet to prove that the Kinetoscope wasn't invented in vain.

'The Other Germany' Alibi for Allied Aims

THE OTHER GERMANY. By Erika and Klaus Mann. 218 pages. Modern Age Books.

By John Arnold

As the title of this new book indicates, Erika and Klaus Mann express their hope for an other Germany, free of Nazism. Their foreword points out that "we have the audacity to speak of 'the other Germany'! Of a Germany that is better, or that at least can be taught to be better."

But the "other Germany" that they envisage is not a socialist Germany, a Germany free of all reaction, but a capitalist Germany, free only of the excesses of Nazism. In a meditation by the authors over the insanity of Nazism the Manns exclaim:

"They (the Germans) could have everything—food, raw materials, colonies, the world's friendship—if they only broke the spell, the Nazi spell they look upon as their destiny." (Emphasis mine—J. A.)

The path of the Manns—from the ivory tower to a sudden awakening to political realities subsequent to the rise of Hitler—was traversed by many intellectuals. Those who were primarily interested in the cultural values of humanity began to realize that culture was being destroyed by political reaction, that the defense of culture necessitated the defeat of fascism which had obscenely broken through their sound-proof doors. But in their shy and hesitant steps in the political arena many of these intellectuals failed to comprehend what it was that they were fighting. They failed to grasp the character of their enemy. Their failures are mirrored by the Manns.

Thus the authors of "The Other Germany" fail to see one simple and unmistakable fact: that the capitalist world is divided basically into two classes, a bourgeoisie which dominates and exploits the vast majority of the people, and a proletariat, which, in fighting for its own rights, is leading the fight for the liberation of mankind as a whole from the fetters and oppression of decaying capitalism. The interests of these two classes are diametrically opposed and this was never more clearly revealed than in the present imperialist war.

The Manns, hating Nazism, still fail to see that German fascism represents German finance capital—the rule of the German capitalists—and that the fight against Nazism, if it is to be successful, must be a fight against capitalism which gives birth to Nazism. While the Manns reveal that under Hitler the small business man was pushed out of the economic life of the country and that the monopolies kept increasing their stranghold, they still fail to realize that this is an expression of the class character of fascism.

Consequently they fail to see that Nazi barbarism is not a reflection on the German people, but an expression of the character of the decadent capitalist class in Germany. They blame the German character for the brutality of German finance capital. Because of this confusion they can speak of "the moral and intellectual aberration of the German people." Or they can say that Nazism has "deep roots in the character and psyche of the stricken nation." Or they can refer to "those very German qualities that have done the world so much harm."

They were stunned by fascism and their book is a revelation of their confusion and bewilderment. Their national pride was wounded by the barbarism of the Hitler regime. But instead of condemning the class which created fascism, instead of distinguishing between the brutality of the dominating class and the humanity and struggle for a decent life of the German working class, they try to escape, once again from political realities into an ivory tower. Instead of grasping the very real problems of the German nation, instead of recognizing that the bourgeoisie is betraying national interests, while the working class and its allies are fighting for the true national interests of the people, the Manns try to escape the question. Thus they come to the idealist false conclusion that:

"The Germans are not a nation. There is a German language and German culture."

Their inability to recognize that the Germans are a nation is an expression of their failure to define the national interests of the German people, of their inability to

offer any solution for the grievous problems of the German people. But just as they fail to see the true character of fascism so they fail to see the true character of the Allies. They can unblushingly say of the Allies:

"They are civilized men and find it distinctly bad taste to shoot other men who might be, and in part are, also civilized."

They refuse to admit that the "civilized" Chamberlain and Daladier are representatives of British and French finance capital just as Hitler is a representative of German finance capital. And British finance capital is just as barbarous, plunderous and oppressive as German capital. Nazism would never have expanded at the expense of small and weaker nations were it not for the direct aid and connivance of Chamberlain and Daladier. These "civilized" gentlemen have perpetrated the worst crimes against the Indian, Irish, African and other peoples. Their guns have shot down men, women and children who have risen to fight for elementary democratic rights and for freedom. Their bombs have been hurled at Indian villages. Their troops shot down Egyptian railroad and transport strikers. They have helped create and refused to solve the refugee question. They are aching to aim their guns at Soviet workers.

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Confused on Munich And Spain

Failing to see the character of the Allied imperialists and the nature of the war that they are conducting the Manns can falsely say: "This war, forced upon peace-loving nations by Hitler, has been declared only against him and his rule, clique—not against the German people. . . . This is the admitted aim and purpose of the embattled democracies. . . ."

Or they can whitewash Munich, the betrayal of Spain, Austria and Czechoslovakia by Chamberlain and Daladier with the statement: "One man alone is responsible for this war. . . . One man alone has this terrible guilt on his conscience—and he will be destroyed." (Original emphasis.)

Or they can speak of an Allied victory "for which we hope and pray."

Today there can be no defense of culture, no fight against fascism, unless it is directed against both sides of the imperialist war which is destroying culture and human rights. Anti-Nazism, to be effective, must be expressed in opposition to the war, in opposition to the criminal conspiracies of German, Allied and American finance capital.

This the Manns refuse to admit and consequently their book is just a defense of the imperialist war and Allied imperialism.

Art Notes

The American Artists' Congress is holding its Fourth Annual Membership Exhibition from April 5 through April 20 at 785 Fifth Avenue, New York City. It was announced yesterday.

The show has been titled "Art In a Democracy" and members from Maine to California are being represented.

Two symposia will be held at the gallery during the show on Sunday evenings, April 7 and 21. The title of the first will be "Voice of the People" and the second will be an art "Information Please."

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On the The Score Board

On Buying the
Yanks and
Other Matters

By Lester Rodney

Wanna buy the Yankees?

The outfit is for sale (sob, sob) to provide ready cash to pay for the inheritance tax of the late Colonel Ruppert. (His estate is valued at anywhere from \$50,000,000 to \$80,000,000.)

Like to own a pennant winner? . . . Tell DiMag to play closer to the infield? Make Ruffing try your pet theory on pitching to Jimmy Fox? Teach Rife how to go to his left with less waste motion? Polish up Gordon and Crosetti on those double plays?

Here's what it'll cost, pals. The Stadium is assessed at \$2,550,000. That's without the ball players inside. The present Yankee roster will cost you \$1,500,000 on the hoof. The American League franchise is figured at \$1,000,000. Then there is the farm system, which comprises nine minor league clubs full of the best rookie talent in the land. Included there are the franchises of two crack Class AA clubs, Newark of the International and Kansas City of the American Association.

Aw, go ahead—take the whole works away for seven million. . .

The juxtaposition of this next item wasn't planned to follow the sad tidings of the Ruppert inheritance tax woes, but here it is so you can make what you want of it. Jamaica High School has just announced the end of its sports program due to lack of financial support by the students. Jamaica High is located in the midst of a poor slum neighborhood, one of the worst in the city. The boys and girls of Jamaica need a lot more recreation and sports life than they've been getting. But being poor they haven't got enough to support the present sports program, so now they get none at all.

LIU is going in for rugby big this spring. The boys tackle Yale, Princeton, Harvard, Cornell and Vermont in their drive for the Eastern championship. And the eligibility rules are the beautiful dreams of the coaches come true. There ain't none! Graduates can still come back and play with the team. Scrum fun, eh coach?

It isn't exactly a sports story, but just in case you haven't noticed, "Johnny Got His Gun" begins serially in tomorrow's Sunday. This story will knock you right on your ear. There's never been such a powerfully horrible indictment of imperialism war before, and that goes even though our own ad says . . . since "All Quiet on the Western Front."

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DAILEY WORKER SPORTS

NEW YORK, SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 1940

Breaks Record



JOHN WOODRUFF

3 Negro Aces Break 5 Marks

Woodruff Chalks Up a
1:47.7 Half, Fastest
in History

By Al Stillman

Three great Negro striders, the two Johns—Borican and Woodruff, and Jimmy Herbert took five world records with them when they left the scene of the meet.

Amazingman Woodruff went to work at Hanover Thursday and stamped himself the greatest half-miler ever in the business. He ran the distance in 1:47.7, besting both the indoor and outdoor world records, to grab the first world mark in his four years of running. Heretofore the long striding Pitt star (his stride measures 9 feet 7 inches) was satisfied with victory and coasted after taking the lead in his previous starts, but the speedy Dartmouth track was built for record breaking attempts and John didn't waste the opportunity.

Herbert and Borican did their part in pushing the eight old world marks overboard. Herbert collared two championships, the 400 meters and the 440-yards. His time was 47.9 and 48.4 respectively. Allowing a 60 yard handicap, erased that and the existing record for the three-quarter mile distance, in coping in the time of 3:01.2. The N. Y. U. relay team, the fastest group of four in the history of the relay, took the 880 yard relay for a new indoor mark of 1:27.7, then with Herbert anchoring beat out the Boston A. A. in the mile relay for another record. The new time for the mile is 3:15.

The meet also proved the contention that this Hanover track is the fastest in the world. If these new records will be beaten it will have to be done on this oversized oval.

This edition closed too early to report the result of the national court tourney final at Madison Square Garden last night.

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Franklyn Beats Madison to Win P.S.A.L. Title

Unbeaten Harlem '5' Dethrones Champs in 32-30 Overtime Thriller at Garden Before 12,000 Fans

Ed Younger, one of the four Negro stars of the Benjamin Franklin High School basketball team, fired from mid-court one minute and three seconds after a sudden death overtime period has begun and as the ball went through the net clean the Harlem lads became city champions, displacing their opponents, James Madison of Brooklyn.

A record schoolboy crowd of 12,000 watched this Madison Square Garden finale between the unbeaten Manhattan champs and the tall and talented champs from Kings Highway. It was hard fought all the way, with the half time score 14-14 and the lead see-sawing all the way through the second half. Bob Wanger of Franklin missed two fouls with six seconds left, but Younger came through in the overtime with his first shot.

Woods, led the scoring for the winners with ten points while Waxman and Baxter, two Madison aces slated for LIU scored 8 apiece. The whole Franklin team will be back next year.

ably means a packed house. Maxie is practically a favorite son up at the Bronx Arena, even though many of the fans think he doesn't take 'em on tough enough. No cause for complaint with clever Maxie this time though because he's fighting the very rugged and body-smashing Tony Ferrara, Mount Vernon welter who recently upset old Eddie Brink.

Maxie Berger is back at the Coliseum Tuesday night and that prob-

Hard Luck Harry Heavy and Hopeful

TAMPA, March 13 (UP).—This is a story of "Hard Luck Harry" and what he had to put up with during the nerve-racking baseball season of 1939.

Tonsillitis in Boston, earache in Brooklyn, tonsils enlarged and sinus drained in New York, tonsillitis again in Cincinnati, collision (knocked unconscious for several hours) in Chicago, and back and shoulder aches all around the circuit.

Those are the high spots of the season Harry Craft, Cincinnati Reds centerfielder, had to go through in his sophomore year. On opening he weighed 186 pounds, and when he staggered off the field after the final World Series game he weighed 158.

For the last month and a half of the season he was suffering such pain in his shoulder he didn't take outfield practice before a ball game. He was able to make only so many throws and he saved them for the ball game. In the world series he was a pitiful sight, making only one hit in 11 times at bat. But Craft was playing on his nerve alone, and with a torso taped up like a mummy. "I must have been pretty lousy

WHAT'S ON

RATES: What's On notices for the city and Sunday Worker are 50c per line (10 words is a line—1 line minimum). DEADLINE: Daily at 12 Noon. For Sunday, 8 P.M. Friday.

Today
"SOVIET FINNISH PACT," a special lecture by William Weinstone, Director of Workers School, this Saturday, March 16, at Labor Temple, 243 E. 44th St., 8:30 P.M. Entertainment, Dancing, Beer, Food. RESERVE: ANOTHER TOP-NOTCH Evening. Youth Workshop salutes Irish martyrs. Chorus, Mass Chant, dancing, refreshments. 66 E. 8th St. Subs. 35c, 8:30 P.M.

Tonight
Manhattan
7TH ANNIVERSARY German Workers Club, Yorkville's biggest anti-Nazi War Organization. Saturday evening, March 16, at Labor Temple, 243 E. 44th St., 8:30 P.M. Entertainment, Dancing, Beer, Food. RESERVE: ANOTHER TOP-NOTCH Evening. Youth Workshop salutes Irish martyrs. Chorus, Mass Chant, dancing, refreshments. 66 E. 8th St. Subs. 35c, 8:30 P.M.

Brooklyn
BENSONHURST'S ANNUAL Hot Hoofers' party! Plenty of eats, terrific swing band and preview of new "labor revue." TWO Community Center, 2075 86th St., Bklyn. Aup. C. P. Branch 11, 8:30 P.M. DANCE AND VAUDEVILLE SHOW with Broadway attractions at Brownsville Community Center, 581 Rockaway Ave. Featuring, Tris La Roche, Mexican Dancer, Alvin Howland, Baritone, Puzio Bones Jackson, Broadway attraction, Lee Sanders, international singer, Stan Osborn and his accordion. Novelties and many others. Dance to Al Fields and his orchestra. DANCE FOR BROWDER'S DEFENSE. Speaker F. V. Coschione. Entertainment, Flatbush Arts Theatre. Neighborhood Center, 407 Rockaway Ave. Adm. 25c. 8 P.M. THE DANNY HASKELL and Dave Doran Youth Clubs will celebrate their merger with a gala social. Adm. 25c. 611 E. 95th St. 8:30 P.M.

Tomorrow
GENERAL VICTOR YAKHONTOFF analyzes "Latest International Developments." Brighton Center, 3200 Coney Island Ave. Aup. Sea. Branch Seminar. 8:30 P.M. Sunday, March 17.
ALFRED GOLDSTEIN analyzes the News of the Week this Sunday, March 17, 8:30 P.M. at Workers School, 35 E. 12th St., second floor. Adm. 25c.
A CONTINENTAL REVUE: Master Institute, Riverside Drive, 103rd St. 8:30 P.M. Featuring numbers by Anna Gordon, Madjda Odinkaya, Anna Mark, including many prominent artists of radio and stage. Adm. 35c-41.10.
SENDER GARLIN on "Truth Behind the News." Midtown Forum—Hotel Marlborough, 2880 Broadway, 103rd St. 8:30 P.M. Adm. 25c.

BEATS YANKS



HARRY GUMBERT

GIANTS

NEWCOMERS SPARK OUTFIELD
WINTER HAVEN, Fla., March 15. While the infield and pitching is still uncertain, the Giants are looking stronger every day in the outfield.

Johnny Dickshot, vet ex-Pirate rescued from Jersey City, has been hitting all spring and may replace Joe Moore in left. John Rucker, up from Atlanta with a .346 average, has come along after a poor start and right now figures to beat out Bob Seeds as top reserve. Frank Demaree, who's sure of his job in center, will take it easy for the next couple of weeks to give Rucker and Morris Jones, another rookie from Jersey City, a chance to show what they've got over a long period.

Boom Boom a Dodger?

Brownsville pals of Lenny (Boom Boom) Mancini ought to encourage the soaking young light-weight to try out for the Dodger outfield. He's hitting .750 in fast company right now if you figure his record of twelve kayos in sixteen pro starts. Anyhow Lenny's going after vet Johnny Rohrig in the top spot at the Broadway Tuesday night.

Craft came to camp weighing 194 pounds—36 pounds more than he weighed in the world series. He went through a 3-day examination at the Mayo clinic right after the world series. They found plenty wrong with him, but traced it all to infected tonsils. The tonsils were yanked out, and right away Craft started to put on weight regain strength and lose his pains and aches.

The heavy thinkers of the press box rate Craft the No. 2 defensive outfielder in the National League. Terry Moore of the Cards being the champion. A few believe that Craft, who bridged the gap from Class D baseball to the majors in one season, soon will be the peer of all National League outfielders.

Craft's batting average his first was .270 and last season it sank to .257, but he has power and speed and is respected by pitchers all around the circuit. "I've changed my batting style slightly from last season," said Craft. "I am going to use the same stance but instead of dropping my bat so low I am going to hold it higher before starting my swing."

But the 'Times' Said It Was Bombed!

Finland is contemplating the Olympics again as the big Stadium (which was reported to have been the center of Soviet bombing attacks) is intact as are all the training villages on the outskirts of Helsinki.

Finland was scheduled to hold this year's edition of the Olympics but cancelled them when the Baron and the boys started their ill-advised and ill-fated sabre-rattling.

Coming

V. J. JEROME speaks on "The Intellectuals, the War and Communism." Saturday, March 23rd, 2:30 P.M. at Webster Auditorium, 119 E. 11th St. Adm. 25c. Aup. Workers School.

Newark, N.J.

BIG SALE! DISCOUNTS up to 80%. Fiction and non-fiction. Starts Saturday, March 16th. Modern Bookshop, 216 Halsey St.

Baltimore, Md.

MOTHER BLOOR. "How Can America Keep Out of This War?" Finnish People's Forum, 154 Wellington Hill St., Dorchester. 11 A.M. Sunday, March 17.

Philadelphia, Pa.

PEOPLES FORUM—Albert Maltz, author of "Black Pit," on "War or Peace—An American Writer's Role." Sunday, March 17, 8:15 P.M. Town Hall, 150 North Broad.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION

SOCIAL DANCE GROUP—Recognized workers school for Ballroom Dancing. White Plains Hotel, 410 E. 66th St. Avenue, Studio 7-B. GR 7-2525. Miriam Pallas, Registration 2-15 P.M.

Dodger Outfield Sinking Back To Koy and...?

So Says Stan, But He's an Old Giant Fan, So Don't Take It to Heart Yet (Ye Ed Writes Ye Hed!)

By Stan Kurman
Three weeks ago the Dodgers had a great outfield. Joe Vosmik in left, Roy Cullenbine in center and Jimmy Ripple in right were the regular trio who's blast the Dodgers into a pennant.

Top reserves were young Charlie Gilbert and a hard-hitting, stance-switching Mel Almada. The pathetic figure of the camp was Ernie Koy, the Indian fellow who'd been the only reliable outfielder in the old dead-days would now be shunted to the sidelines.

The picture's back to normal and the Dodgers still need a sound outfielder like the Ancient Mariner—who at least got one out of three.

Here's what's happened to bust the bubble:
Vosmik: (In top physical shape, his legs are as sound as a whale. He'll play 185 games.) Joe's again bothered with that old recurring trick leg. It'll keep him out of action for every couple of weeks.

Cullenbine: (Going to blossom as a great player.) Roy has sinus trouble and will be lucky to play in 100 games. And like Vosmik he needs plenty of action to be effective.

Ripple: (Twenty pounds lighter. Jim's big year.) In good shape physically, Ripple looks much better all-around. Except at the plate. He's just not hitting and back to old Giant form. That late fall spurt with the Dodgers was just a flaky expression of relief at getting rid of Terry.

Gilbert: (Wotia Find) Not hitting. And Almada, Dixie Walker, Gene Moore, et al are right where switching in and out of the lineup all season.

And as new outfielders pour in throughout the season, Rodney will turn to me and say:
"Write a story on how this looks like the outfield combine so far and sure to stick for the rest of the season."

He told me that ten times last year when Walker, Parker, Almada and Ripple each had a three-day spurt.

But the Dodgers will have one reliable outfielder, in there day after day. Not too hard a hitter, but a consistent .290 boy—about twenty points over the average Dodger outfielder.

Yep, the only solid regular with the daily double may be Ernie Koy.

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Detroit (Am.) . . . 020 100 025-3 12 2
McGee, Lanier, Bowman and Scheffing;
Conger, Nelson, Thomas and Tebbels,
Farson.

Washington (Am.) . . . 000 000 000-0 0 0
Cleveland (Am.) . . . 300 000 000-0 0 0
Jacobs, Wynn and Early; Zuber, Ham-
phries and Hensley, Hall.

YANKS

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 15.—The Yanks will add only two new players to the squad this year and from the looks of things both additions will be pitchers, even though the club is packed with stand-out hurlers.

Lefty Lee Grissom is a must off his fine exhibition game form. And yesterday Marv Breuer, who breezed through four innings against the Reds, put himself right in line for the other spot. The kid from Kansas City looked even better in his second trial. He allowed four hits but was tops with men on and coolly fanned three Reds, walking only one.

Marmaduke's Broadcast

Verse by
Jivin' Jack Kent
To the tune of
"Yankee Doodle"

VERSE
Ring the bells for Sumner Welles.
Announce him with decorum—
Riding ridge and riding dells
Here comes the One-Man Forum.

CHORUS
Sticky dressed from top to toe,
Gentleman and scholar—
Strange how far some people go
To make a lousy dollar.

VERSE
Silk cravats and custom hats,
Dapper as a sharp—
"What know you of slummy flats
O State Department marquis?"

CHORUS
Gallivantin' cross the sea,
Ringin' all the hell's bells—
Honest now, 'tween you and me,
Is not well that ends Welles?